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WHEN the last Habsburg Emperor abdicated from the throne of Vienna on Armistice Day of World War I the universal hope was that, despite the still obvious national link between the two countries, Germany and Austria would no longer threaten imperialism in Europe and that democracy would thrive in the new Austrian Republic.

The events of the pre-war years up to Hitler's annexation of Austria in 1938 are now part of history. So is the post-World War II occupation by the four former allied powers, the world can reflect thankfully today. And on the signing of the Austrian State Treaty in Vienna yesterday there is specific assurance provided that Central European domination of Europe will never again threaten world peace as long as democracy thrives there.

The World should remember, however, that it is not Russia that has finally granted independence to Austria. It is her procrastination which, for about the last six years, has kept independence from her by her vacillating, dodging tactics. The draft treaty was virtually completed in 1949 but it could not be implemented because Moscow decided the time was not propitious. In 1955, she has finally acquiesced not because she believes Austria should now be free but because freedom and neutrality on the Austrian lines are to be Moscow's model for a solution of the German problem.

RUSSIA'S European "neutral belt" concept emerges in more dramatic outline with the announcement that Mr. Krushchev and Marshal Bulganin, among others, are to visit Belgrade later this month for talks with the truant Marshal Tito. Yugoslavians may well be puzzled at the reaction of dismay in some Western capitals at a time when the Big Three themselves have secured a meeting with the Russians. Basically, however, it is because Tito is not entirely trusted despite his courageous and determined opposition to Moscow's domination. The West has watched with some apprehension the gradual transition of Soviet attitude from enmity following Yugoslavians' break with the Cominform in 1948 to apparent amity.

The conclusion in the West is that the Russian visit may be either a first step to a rapprochement between the two Communist powers or else a Moscow-dictated guarantee of neutrality for Yugoslavia. Tito has repudiated the first suggestion, and the observer of Balkan affairs may have legitimate doubts about the second course.

FOR centuries now the Yugoslavians have, in their tight Adriatic corridor, played their cards shrewdly; they are thoroughly practised in the art of playing off the Great Powers one against another. In earlier ages it was Rome against Byzantium, Pope against Emperor, Teuton against Turk—for the sole purpose of preserving national independence. Today Tito is possibly exhibiting this proven diplomacy of the southern Slavs to avoid entanglement with East or West.

Tito's assurance to the West therefore may be accepted as an honest statement of intention. On the other hand, his neutralist sympathies cannot be discounted. He may never yield to pressure from Moscow; indeed pressure may not be needed. Equivocal diplomacy may prove more effective and a temporary alignment of Soviet-Yugoslav views may well follow. At best, however, Moscow can only hope for a deceptive facade of agreement and Yugoslavia may be expected to continue leaning West but without affronting the Goliath of the East.



MOLOTOV

Plans For  
Dock Strike  
Completed

Four Key British  
Ports Involved

London, May 15.

Plans for a dock strike a week tomorrow in four key British ports were completed tonight.

Mass meetings of dockers in Manchester and Liverpool endorsed the strike call for May 22, made earlier by their colleagues in London and Hull. The men are all members of the 15,000-strong National Amalgamated Stevedores and Dockers Union who although they represent only a proportion of Britain's total dock labour force could seriously dislocate the country's economy.

A strike of 7,000 NASD men in London last year eventually resulted in 45,000 dockers stopping work paralysing 350 ships.

UNION'S CLAIM  
The NASD is claiming the right to negotiate with employers in the three provincial ports.

The union already has the power in London, but elsewhere it is held by the giant Transport and General Workers Union, which claims to represent 82,000 British dockers. The TGWU has instructed its men to stay clear of the dispute.

Rivalry between the two unions is keen. Last year, the NASD was suspended from the Trades Union Congress because it was "poaching" men from the larger union in its recruiting campaign.

COULD EMBARRASS  
Timed to take place three days before the general election, the strike could embarrass the Labour Party.

More than 3,500 members of the NASD voted unanimously to support the executive in the national strike. They were the last of the four groups to vote. While the NASD membership among the 19,000 Liverpool dockers has never been revealed, it is estimated they have more than 5,000 adherents.—Reuter.

ANOTHER BIG  
NY FIRE

New York, May 15.—A huge fire raged through a block-long lumber yard tonight. It was the second major fire in New York City in four days. The first alarm for the fire in residential Queens, across the East River from Manhattan, was sounded at 7.30 p.m. By 8.20 p.m. nine alarms had called 65 fire companies to the scene.

Only last Thursday 11 alarms were sounded for a fire in the industrial section of Greenpoint, Brooklyn, that swept through four city blocks before it was brought under control.—United Press.

Terrorist Slays  
Two Men

Cashmere, May 15.—An unknown terrorist sprayed bullets last night at three men who were sitting together in this city's new native quarter, killing two and injuring the third.—United Press.

End Of Career  
As Foreign  
Minister

GROMYKO IN LINE  
OF SUCCESSION

Vienna, May 15.

Unconfirmed reports swept Vienna today that Vyacheslav Molotov's signature to the Austrian treaty might be his last major formal act as Soviet Foreign Minister.

Speculation spread that the 65-year-old Soviet diplomat might withdraw—or be withdrawn—from the Kremlin's day-to-day foreign policy direction and join, as a Deputy Premier, the thinning ranks of Moscow's "elder statesmen."

Forceful, ambitious Andrei Gromyko, appointed Molotov's first Deputy only two months ago in a surprise diplomatic reshuffle, would, according to the speculation, succeed Molotov as Foreign Minister.

Russian and Allied diplomatic sources disclaimed knowledge of these suggestions, which were strengthened by Moscow's announcement yesterday omitting Molotov from a top-level mission to Belgrade.

Nothing in Molotov's appearance and bearing during his contacts here with the Western Ministers and at official ceremonies gave any hint of possible change in his status.

The Western Ministers who negotiated with him the final stages of the Austrian treaty and discussed the projected Big Four parley with him described him as jovial and easy going.

One conference participant stressed that "nyet" had not come from Molotov's lips during the discussions in the past 24 hours.

But Western observers shied away from drawing any conclusions on what may or may not be in store for the Soviet diplomat, who long has dominated the international diplomatic scene with intransigent forcefulness.

Nevertheless, the rumour of his possible withdrawal from the Foreign Ministry received considerable attention in diplomatic quarters here.

SUSPICION AROUSED

Suspicion was aroused yesterday by the announcement from Moscow that Gromyko would join Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin's mission to Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia later this month.

This was only partly explained by the argument that Molotov has been too closely connected with Generalissimo Stalin's anti-Tito campaign.

Russian policy experts recalled that Molotov had not been included in the all-important Soviet mission which went to Peking last year to strengthen the Sino-Russian treaty of alliance.

That mission was headed by the Communist Party chief, Nikita Krushchev, and included Bulganin and the then planning co-ordinator, Anastas Mikoyan, now a Deputy Premier. The same mission is now to proceed to Belgrade with Gromyko as an addition.—United Press.

ROBESON'S  
REQUEST

New York, May 15.

Paul Robeson, Negro singer whose leftist sympathies have blocked his passport application for five years, said here he has asked the State Department for special permission to travel to the Soviet Union to make a film. Mr. Robeson said he had been offered the leading role in "Othello" to be made by the Modlin studio.

He filed suit last January to compel the department to allow him to travel, contending that he had singing engagements offered him in Israel, England and other countries but very little here.—Reuter.



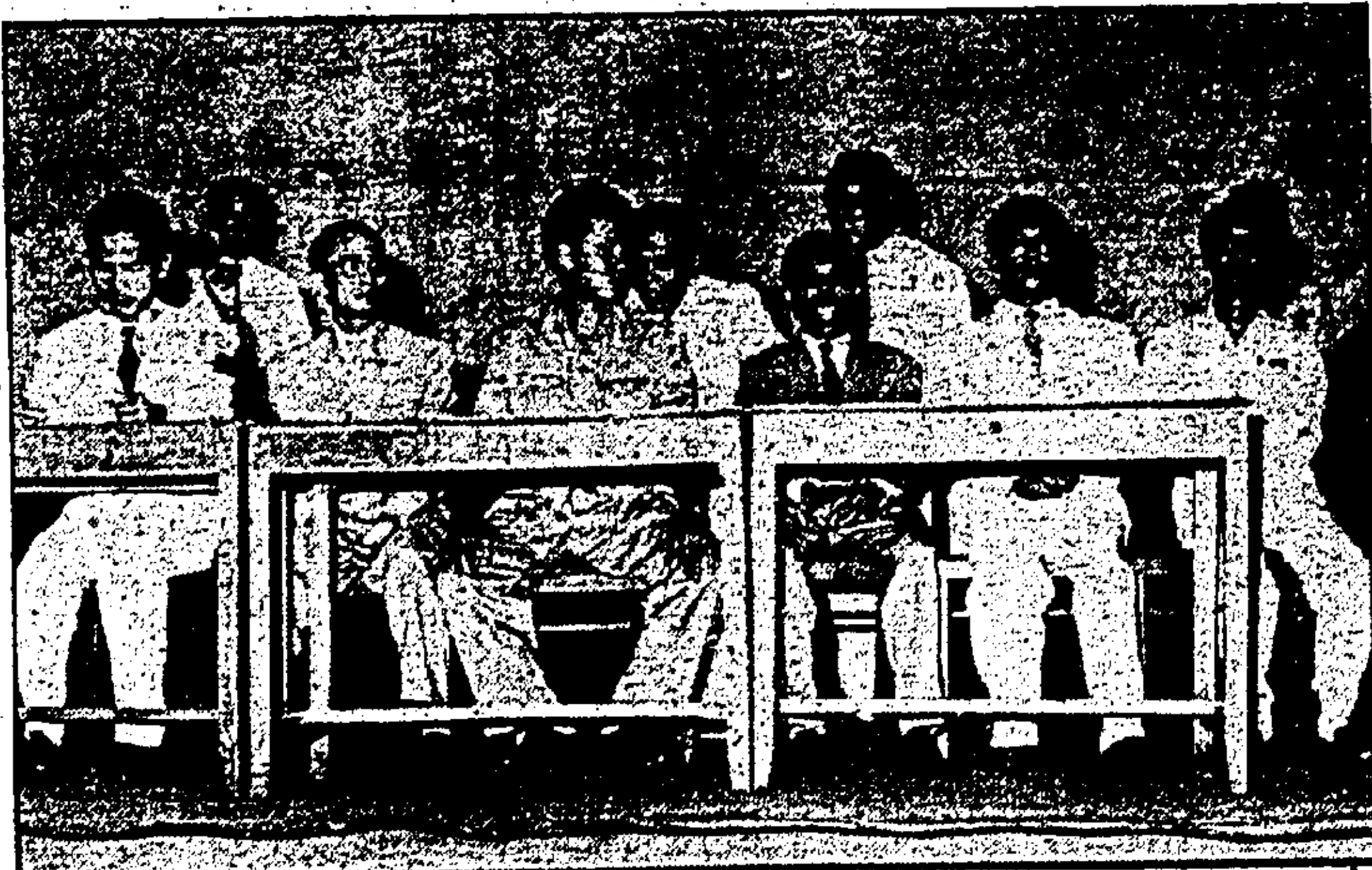
GROMYKO

GREEN LIGHT  
FOR VACCINE

Washington, May 15.—Sixteen states were told tonight they may go ahead immediately with their polio vaccination programmes.

The Federal Surgeon-General, Dr. Leonard Scheele, said 3,600,000 cubic centimetres of vaccine, produced by Eli Lilly and Company of Indianapolis, had been cleared for use after painstaking rechecking.

The checks were ordered after outbreaks of polio among children inoculated with this firm's vaccine and that of the Cutter Laboratories of Berkeley, California.—Reuter.



A "Revolutionary Committee" set up in Saigon has demanded the dethronement of Bao Dai, Head of the South Vietnamese State. The Committee which is seen here in session is presided over by N'Guyen Bo Toan (second from the left).—France-Press.

Newsman's Death:  
No Dereliction Of Duty  
By S'pore Police

Washington, May 15.

The United States Consul in Singapore, Mr. Lampton Berry, today cleared the Colony's police of allegations of "dereliction of duty" in the death last week of an American correspondent.

Mr. Berry said in a report to the State Department that the available information indicated there was no such dereliction.

The reporter, Mr. Gene Symonds, of the United Press, was attacked by a crowd of strikers while watching a demonstration in Singapore last Thursday.

He died of his injuries.

Mr. Berry told the State Department that when Mr. Symonds approached the area of rioting, he was blocked by one group of police and finally showed his press credentials to another group, saying he would go forward "on his own responsibility."

SENT CALL TO HQ

Mr. Berry's account, obtained from the Singapore police authorities, related that after Mr. Symonds had been attacked, his taxi driver returned to the roadblock and told police that a European was being beaten up. The police, according to the report, said they could not leave the roadblock but they

sent a call to headquarters, which dispatched a special squad to look for the man in trouble.

With fighting under way at many points, this special group had difficulty finding Mr. Symonds.

Meanwhile, his driver returned to him and Mr. Symonds asked to be taken to a hospital. As he was being assisted into a van, police in a passing radio car declined to help, saying they had been ordered "to another trouble-spot and could not stop."

Soviet Aim  
Is To  
Neutralise  
Europe

London, May 15.

The belief that forthcoming Soviet-Yugoslav talks form part of a Soviet plan to establish a cordon of neutral nations from Sweden in the north through Austria and Germany and down to Yugoslavia was expressed in West European capitals today.

The Austrian state treaty, signed today with its parallel guarantee of Austrian neutrality, is seen as the first achievement of this plan to set up a buffer zone in Europe between Communist states and the Western powers.

Russia will try to lead Yugoslavia away from her ties with the West into neutrality at talks in Belgrade later this month between Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Soviet Prime Minister, and Marshal Tito, Western observers say.

Attempts to secure a united neutral Germany at the planned East-West "meeting at the summit" this summer will make or break this process.—Reuter.

BERSERK FARMER  
FIGHTS POSSE  
FOR FIVE HOURS

Thornton, Texas, May 15.

A berserk farmer shot a sheriff's posse before he shot the sheriff. Texas Rangers called for an armoured car from Fort Hood, Texas. It moved up to within 10 feet of the house. Eight tear gas shells were fired into the house. Two fire bombs were fired into grass around the house, up wind.

The fire bombs set the grass on fire and the smoke swept into the house, mingling with the tear gas.

Tynes, covered with blood, ran out of one rear door, along the back of the house for a few feet and into another rear door. Ranger Captain Clint Peoples and Ranger J.L. Rogers saw that he was covered with blood and did not have his 22 rifle. They dashed into the house after him and dragged him out. He had on only a pair of shorts. His right arm was broken above the elbow; his left hand was dangling by shreds of flesh and muscle—it had almost been shot away.

TRIED TO BITE  
But Tynes snarled, bit at the officers and kicked at them as they dragged him outside. They could not use his arms to lift him into the ambulance, so they put belts under him to lift him.

A crowd of 2,500 persons had been standing about 500 yards back, watching Tynes hold off the officers. The word that he had been captured swept through the crowd and hundreds broke and ran forward, surrounding the house as the Rangers loaded Tynes into the ambulance. The fire in the grass was put out before the house caught fire.

Sheriff Harry Dundas was shot between the eyes at a range of 75 yards. For hours the posse could not get close enough to him to tell whether he was dead or alive. Finally, under cover of a fusillade of gunfire, three officers slipped into the front yard and recovered the body. Sheriff Dundas had tried to arrest Tynes for the shooting of John Ray Bentley, who is in critical condition.—United Press.

IN SERIOUS  
CONDITION

York, May 15.—The Archbishop of York, Dr. Cyril Garbett, in a nursing home here after an operation, is in a serious condition which gives rise to anxiety, it was announced today.

The Archbishop, 80 last February, whose operation was for an intestinal obstruction, was said to have had a restless night, but is maintaining strength.—Reuter.

KONIEV  
GIVEN THE  
TOP JOB

London, May 15.

Prime Ministers of Russia and seven Communist states in East Europe returned home from Warsaw today at the end of talks setting up a military alliance as their answer to West German rearmament.

Soviet Marshal Ivan Koniev was named Commander-in-Chief of the Communist blocs "NATO" under the 20-year security pact announced yesterday.

East Germany was excluded. The announcement said her membership of the joint military command would be "examined later."

Marshal Koniev, 57, former Commander of Russian ground forces and one of the chief architects of Hitler's defeat on the Eastern Front, will have his headquarters in Moscow.

His staff will consist of officers from the six countries in addition to Russia. Joining the command—Albania, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland and Rumania. Their troops will be deployed in accordance with the needs of mutual defence.—Reuter.

No Date Fixed

Vienna, May 15.—The "Big Four" foreign ministers bade each other farewell tonight without coming to a decision about the date and place for the "summit" conference of heads of government.

Officials said the question would now be settled through diplomatic exchanges, probably in the next ten days.—Reuter.

Overthrow  
Of Bao Dai  
Demanded

Saigon, May 15.

Ten thousand persons today demonstrated for the overthrow of absentee Emperor Bao Dai, and the Revolutionary Committee of South Vietnam raised the banner of the "Republic."

Heavily armed French troops were out in force as the parade wound through Saigon's European district, but there were no incidents. French authorities had feared the rally might provoke anti-French violence.

Leaders of the Revolutionary Committee waved a new flag before the demonstrators and announced it was the emblem of "The Republic of Vietnam." The flag was Red and Yellow with a Red Star, a cross between the present Communist Vietnamese and South Vietnamese flags.

DIEM ANSWERS CALL

Premier Ngo Dinh Diem appeared briefly on a balcony and waved to the crowd when it shouted to him, while passing his palace of Independence.

After anti-Bao Dai speeches at the central market place, the parade returned to the French quarter at Diem's residence.

Despite the agitation for Bao Dai's dethronement, Diem has taken no further action in this direction.—United Press.

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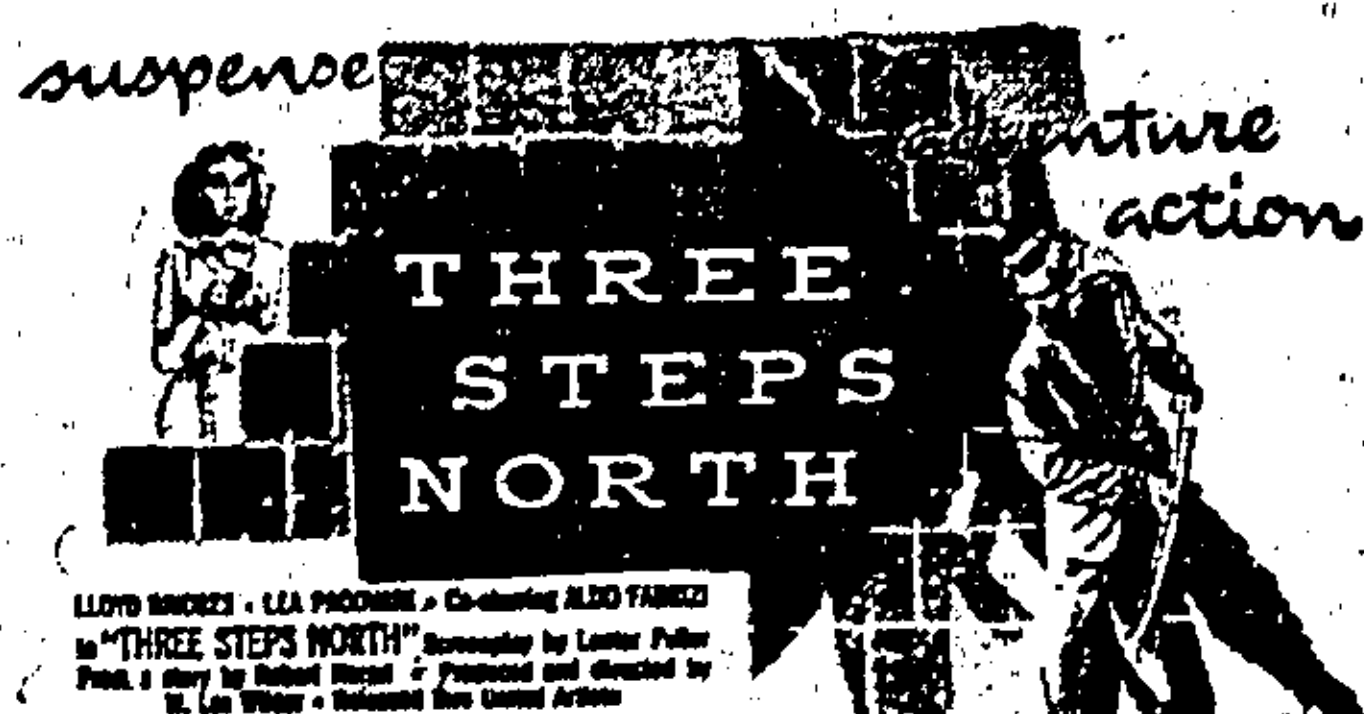
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## Action Party Leader Chided In Singapore

Singapore, May 15.

A former "staunch member" of the leftwing of the China Democratic Party in Communist China in an open letter today chided Lee Kuan Yew, leader of the People's Action Party for his preference of communism to British colonialism.

Lee, a fiery youthful leader of the People's Action Party, in a recent May Day speech cried that if he had to choose between communism and colonialism, he would vote for communism.

## Safer Rail Travel

Paris, May 15.  
French railways hope to make their lines even safer by using a screw which a dentist invented to ensure his patients would not lose their false teeth.

The State-owned enterprise said it had ordered 5,000,000 of the screws to lock the rails more tightly to the wooden sleeper. When M. Robert Levi, head of the Permanent Way Department, first saw one of the dental screws he exclaimed "Just the sort of sleeper screw I've been looking for during the past 20 years"—and ordered mass production of a scale model.

Dr. Jean Brogiotti of Biarritz, the inventor, died a few months ago.—China Mail Special.

## Indian Professor In Peking

London, May 15.

Premier Chou En-lai received the Indian languages Professor Raghu Vira this morning, the New China news agency reported from Peking.

Professor Raghu Vira is also a member of the Indian Parliament and director of the International Academy of Indian Culture.

Present during the reception were Kuo Mo-jung, President of the Academy of Sciences of China, Lo Chang-pai, Director of the Institute of Linguistics and Philology of the Academy of Sciences, Cheng Chen-to, Vice Minister of Culture, Chen Chia-kang, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs, Hung Shen and Cheng Chung-ching, Director and Vice Director of the Bureau for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, Hsieh Ping-hsin, writer, and Shi Hsien-lin, professor of oriental languages.

Also present were the Indian Ambassador I.N. Rajgopal and Professor Raghu Vira's daughter Miss Sudar Shana Devi.—Reuters.

Karachi, May 15.

The Japanese scientific expedition which will explore the Kara-Korum ranges in Northern Kashmir, arrived here from Tokyo by air tonight.

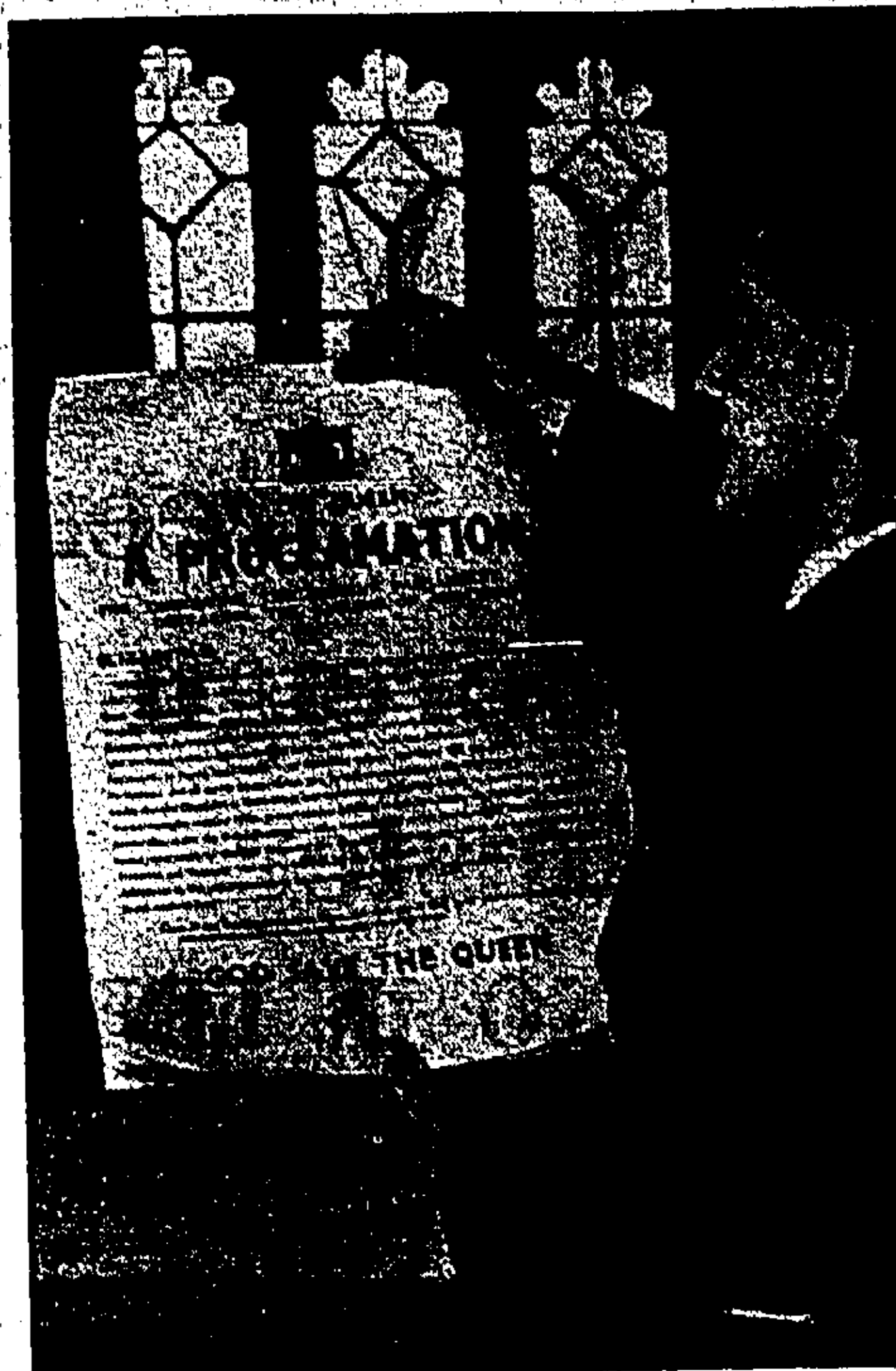
The 12-man expedition is led by Professor Hitoshi Kimura and includes specialists in botany, zoology, geology, archaeology, anthropology and linguistics.—France-Press.

## SKIN DIVER ACTION! AQUA-LUNG THRILLS!



COMING SOON TO KING'S PRINCESS LEE

## LAUNCHING ELECTION



The Clerk of the Chamber at the Houses of Parliament sent out the Proclamation by the Queen "Dissolving the Present Parliament and Declaring the Calling of Another." Thus the General Election is launched when 2,000 copies of the original, with the Queen's Great Seal attached, are sent by ordinary post for display on public buildings throughout the country. This picture, taken in the offices of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, shows a close-up of the Proclamation ready for distribution.—Central Press Photo.

## LAST ATOMIC TEST AT YUCCA FLAT

Las Vegas, May 15.

The 14th and final nuclear explosion of the 1955 tests was detonated over the Yucca Flat before dawn today.

## Unwanted Memorial Of Wagner

Bonn, May 15.

A sculptor at Kiefersfelden, near here, is becoming desperate because no one wants the 200-ton marble memorial to composer Richard Wagner, which he took 11 years to carve.

The city of Leipzig ordered the memorial from Professor Emil Hipp in 1932. By the time he finished it in 1945, Leipzig was part of Communist East Germany, which towns on Wagner as one of those dead Germans who helped to inspire Hitler.

No one in West Germany was willing to give it a home either. Professor Hipp became short of money but swore his work would not be used for gravestones. Now he is awaiting the outcome of a proposal to erect the 29 feet high reliefs of Wagner's operatic characters in Bayreuth, home of the annual Wagner festival.

Opposition is expected from Bayreuth Town Council. One reason is the estimated cost of bringing the memorial the 200 miles from Kiefersfelden—190,000 Marks (about £18,000 sterling).—China Mail Special.

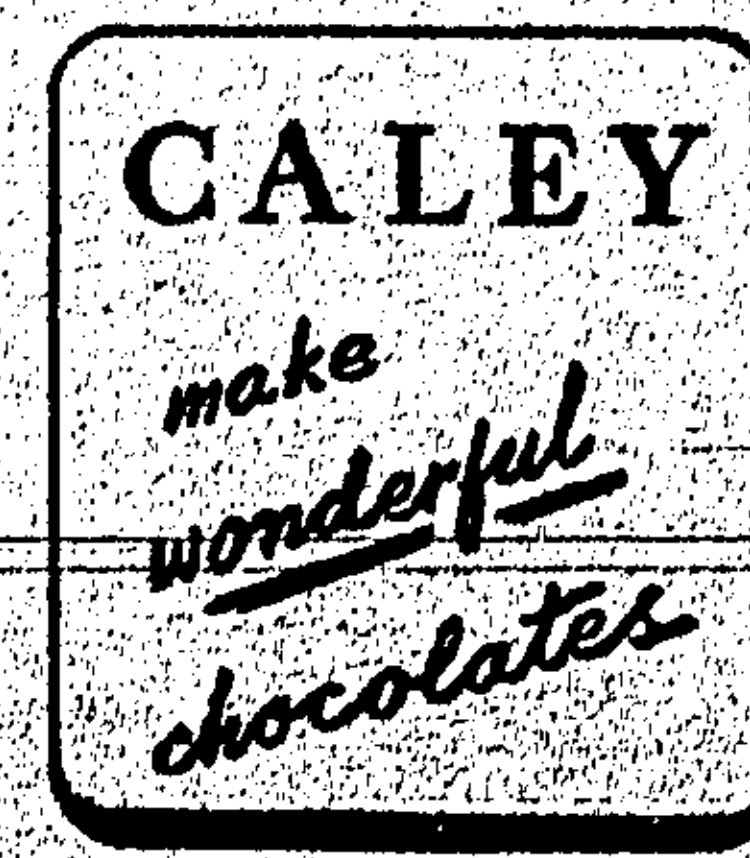
## Lufthansa Operational

Hamburg, May 15.  
The Lufthansa, West Germany's new publicly owned airline, today started its services to London and Madrid. From tomorrow, there will be one flight daily between Hamburg and London and a second between Munich and London. A three weekly service to Paris begins on Tuesday and there will be two planes a week to Madrid.—Reuters.

Colombo, May 15.  
Doctor Mahmoud Fawzi, Egyptian Foreign Minister, arrived in Colombo by air tonight on a friendly visit to Ceylon.

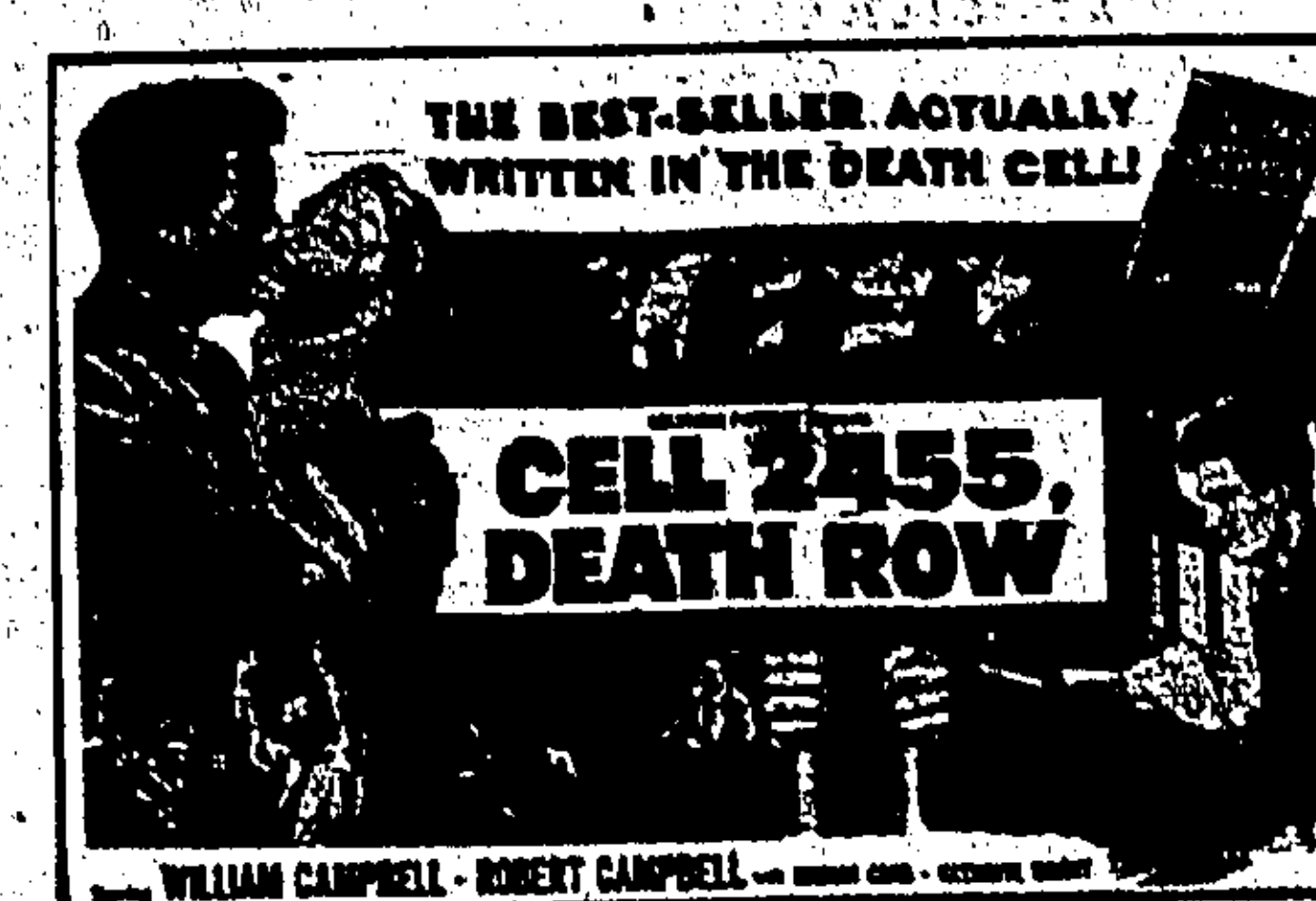
Dr Fawzi is to meet several Ceylon Government members during his stay, which he dubbed as "a friendly visit to a friendly country." He is to leave for Cairo on Tuesday.—France-Press.

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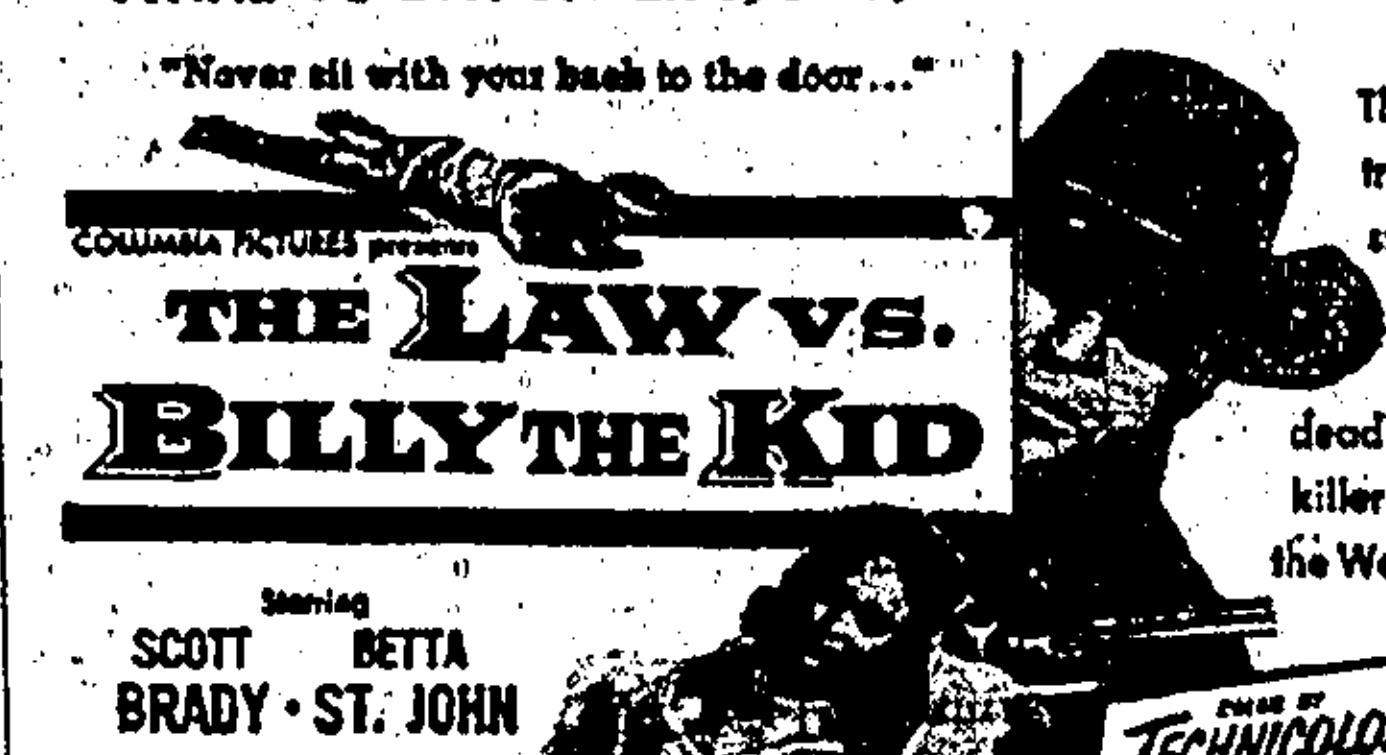
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# 1938 PEACE PLANS FAILED



## Rest Cure For Quirino

Manila, May 15. Former President Elpidio Quirino, who left Tokyo Sunday, May 22, for a protracted rest cure in Japan. He will travel on a diplomatic passport and will be accompanied by his son Tomas and wife, his daughter Victoria and her husband, Luis Gonzales, a private secretary, a physician and a private nurse. Mr. Quirino will spend several days in Tokyo and then repair to a nearby resort for his rest cure. This ailing former President has been in Lourdes Hospital since November 1954. United Press.

## Students Hold Afro-Asian Conference

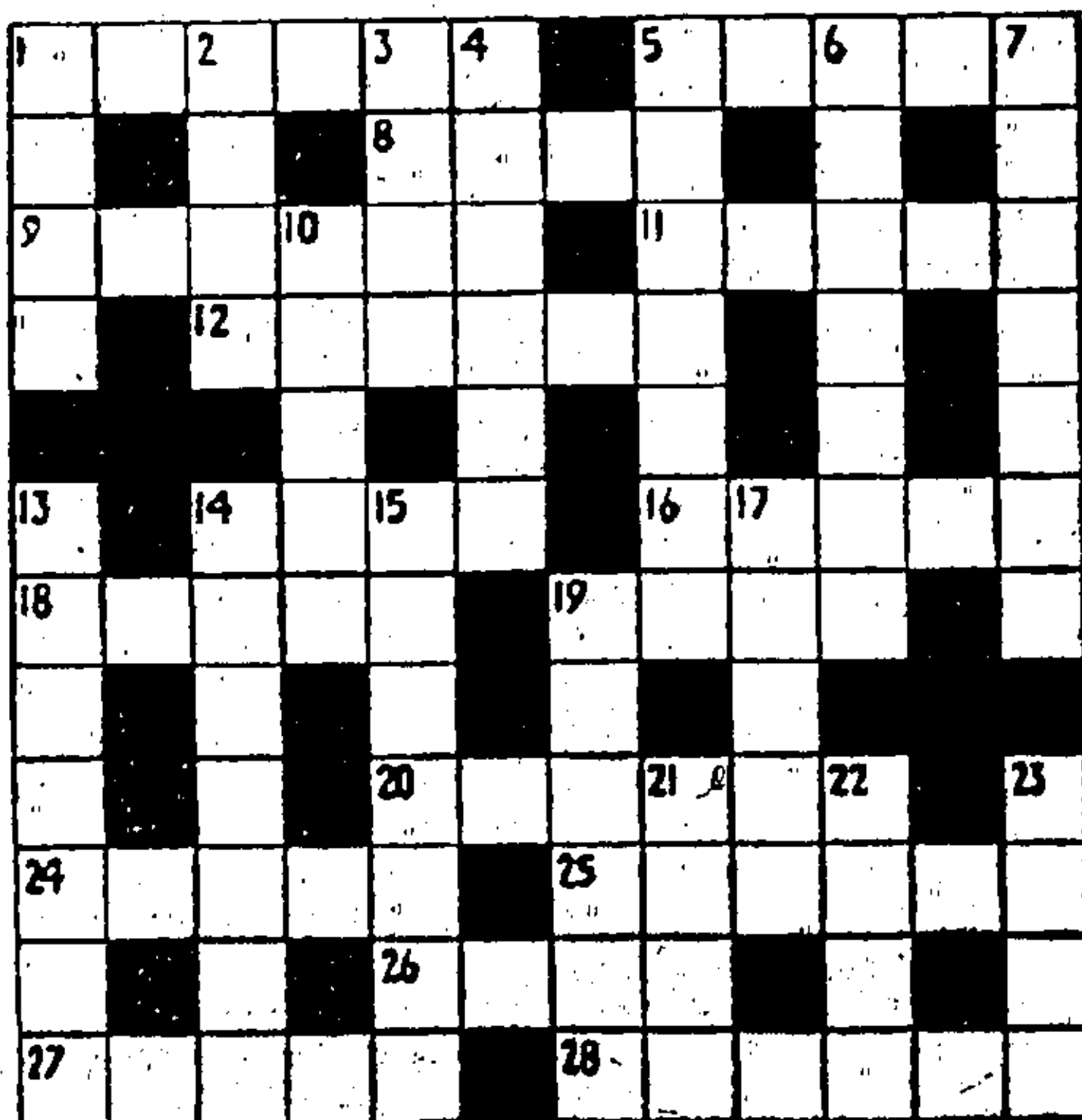
London, May 15. The first Afro-Asian students conference was held in London today. Delegates from about 15 countries attended. The initiative to get together came from the Ceylonese students of whom there are 575 in Britain and in the chair was their President, Mr. B. D. Ratnayake.

A move to form a permanent co-ordinating body for the various students unions in London had the active support of the Malayan Students Union, represented by the President K.S. Goh (Singapore) and Mr. Mohamed Noordin (Kuala Lumpur).

The audience numbered about 300 which was not large considering that the students came not only from Ceylon and Malaya but also West, East, Central and South Africa, Indonesia and the Chinese People's Republic.

Indian students in Britain number about 4,000. There are 1,400 from Ceylon. The Ceylon delegation presented a paper about their country in which they stated that "most of the evils in our present system of education stem from our former political and economic colonial status and our present economic colonial status."—Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



**ACROSS**  
1 Accent (6).  
2 Savoury jelly (5).  
3 Nurse (4).  
4 Crockery (8).  
5 Seaside city (5).  
6 Alloy (6).  
7 Lake (4).  
8 Menus (5).  
9 Harder (5).  
10 Unemployed (4).  
11 Chant (6).  
12 Broadside (5).  
13 Desinlined (6).  
14 Pleasant (4).  
15 American tops (5).  
16 Ditch (6).

## Secret Diplomatic Papers Released By Washington FRENCH ENVOY'S VISIT TO HITLER

Washington, May 15. Previously secret diplomatic papers released here today showed that in 1938, scarcely more than a year prior to World War II, the leaders of various nations worked optimistically on various "peace plans" to relieve international tensions.

A report from the United States Charge d'Affaires in France to the Secretary of State on October 21, 1938, said that when the French Ambassador to Germany saw Hitler at Berchtesgaden a few days earlier, the Fuehrer "indicated clearly his desire to bring about an improvement of Franco-German relations."

Earlier in the same year, President Roosevelt of the United States and Prime Minister Chamberlain of Great Britain were each at work on tension-reducing plans.

### REGULAR SERIES

The secret papers were published by the State Department in a volume of 1,009 pages as part of its regular series of historical documents. No direct connection with current international affairs was indicated. The Department has made public such State papers concerning all parts of the world for many decades. The documents are usually 15 to 20 years old when published.

The report from the Charge d'Affaires in France said that he

## Faure Dressed For Dinner

Copenhagen, May 15. French Premier Edgar Faure stepped out of a special plane at Copenhagen airport at 7.45 p.m., local time, tonight wearing white tie and tails. He immediately left by road for the Christiansborg Palace to attend a dinner given by King Frederik of Denmark for visiting French President of the Republic, Rene Coty.

M. Faure left Dole (northeast France) earlier this evening for Copenhagen and intends to return to France early tomorrow morning.

French Foreign Minister, M. Antoine Pinay, is due here sometime tomorrow morning from Vienna, where he today signed the Austrian State Treaty.—France-Press.



During a bullfight in the Arles Arena (Southern France) the infuriated bull made the Torreador leap for the barrier.—Express Photo.

## INDIAN RELATIONS MOST IMPORTANT

### MacDonald's Appointment

London, May 15.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald's appointment as United Kingdom High Commissioner in Delhi, to succeed Sir Alexander Clutterbuck in September this year bears witness to the importance the British Government attaches to its relations with India.

It is in no sense a political demotion. Mr. MacDonald's term of office as Commissioner-General in Southeast Asia expires in September this year. In any case, and with Sir Alexander being unable to return to Delhi for health reasons, a suitable man had to be found to replace him.

The choice fell naturally on Mr. MacDonald, a high Commonwealth Relations Office source said tonight, because of his "extremely valuable" services in Southeast Asia, and also because of his friendship with Premier Nehru of India.

**FIRST-CLASS MAN**  
The Government feels that it must have a first-class man in Delhi who knows Asia well and who will be persona grata with both the Indian Government and people.

He had no official appointment beyond the roving political one of "Commissioner-General," created by the Labour Government to "bring order out of chaos" in Southeast Asia after the war.



SIR A. CLUTTERBUCK

General, created by the Labour Government to "bring order out of chaos" in Southeast Asia after the war. He presided over meetings of colonial governors and over the military committee for South-

## Acupuncture Congress

Paris, May 15. The 8th International Congress of Acupuncture, an ancient Chinese medical system whereby cures are effected by pricking with needles, opened here today. Eighteen nations are represented, including the United States and Japan.

In his opening speech, French Doctor Roger de Lafuze, President and Founder of the International Acupuncture Society, explained how that centuries-old Chinese method could be explained in the light of modern science.

Acupuncture, he said, had proved effective in certain nervous cases and had cured spasms, contractions and many functional complaints such as sinusitis and deafness. It had no effect, however, on diseases of microbes or virus origin. This evening, medical students were to give a judo display for the entertainment of the Congress, and Dr de Lafuze was to explain the relations between acupuncture and the Chinese acupuncture system.—France-Press.

## Iraqi Peace Treaty

Baghdad, May 15. Iraqi Chamber of Deputies today passed a ratification Bill of the peace treaty with Japan.

The Bill next goes to the Senate for approval. The Chamber of Deputies also today passed the following laws: Denationalization of convicted Iraqi Communists; War Graves Agreement between Iraq and British Commonwealth; and the Bill banning assemblies and demonstrations.—Reuter.

## Bull Chases Torreador

## Vienna Celebrates 'Day Of Liberation' FOREIGN MINISTERS ENTERTAINED

Vienna, May 15.

The magnificent rooms of Vienna's vast Schoenbrunn Palace, now used as a museum, sprang into life again tonight to regain some of the glitter and splendour of the old imperial days.

Some 1,200 guests of the Austrian Government came there to celebrate with music and dancing, feasting and drinking Austria's great "day of liberation"—the signing of the treaty which restores her independence after 17 years.

Outside the huge Palace, where Napoleon signed the Treaty of Vienna in 1809, thousands of Viennese ignored a steady drizzle to take part in street celebrations.

### THRONED COUNCIL

They gazed at the flood-lit monuments and public buildings, thronged round the Allied Council building and the nearby Belvedere Palace where today's treaty was signed and made their way to the Schoenbrunn some four miles away.

Restaurants and bars were packed. It was too wet for street dancing but bands turned out despite the rain and music blared all evening from the Stupa's one hundred yards away from the Belvedere Palace.

The Schoenbrunn's great Hall of Mirrors, with its high pointed ceiling, huge chandeliers and white and gold walls, was crowded to overflowing with distinguished guests.

In the famous great gallery, where Mozart used to play before the Empress Maria Theresa, Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, Mr. Harold Macmillan, Mr. John Foster Dulles and M. Antoine Pinay, mingled with other guests.

On the same parquet, where Napoleon held his court and the great congress, hundreds of couples danced again tonight the stately old Vienna waltz.

The great reception was preceded by a dinner for the Foreign Ministers and their suites. Only 80 guests attended. The lavish menu was rushed from town in silver thermos dishes as none of the palace's 120 kitchens is now in commission.

### STAMP ALBUM

Shortly after the signing of the treaty Herr Julius Raab, the Chancellor, presented each of the Big Four Foreign Ministers with a stamp album bound in red morocco leather.

The album contains all Austrian stamps issued since the foundation of the Second Republic at the end of World War II.

The first stamp is the "State Treaty Stamp" issued today.

Among others there is the whole Renner block named after the late Austrian President.

The album bears the following inscription in gold printing and in the language of each Foreign Minister: "In remembrance of the signing of the Austrian State Treaty in the year of 1955."

Viennese bartenders perfected a new "five country cocktail" for celebrating the treaty.

It is made from Russian vodka, French vermouth, London gin, a touch of American Coca-Cola and a dash of Austrian wine.

First samplers said it gave a nice taste to freedom. "Alled cakes" were also on sale with the flags of Britain, France, Russia, the United States and Austria crusted in marzipan on top.—Reuter and China Mail Special.

## Ex-Servicemen Return From Russia

New York, May 15.

Nine American ex-servicemen arrived in New York by air today after a five-day reunion in Moscow with Soviet ex-servicemen they met at the Elbe River "link up" during the second world war.

A spokesman for the group, Mr. Joseph Poloway, said the reunion was a "great success" and he hoped it might become an annual event.

He said talks on controversial matters with the Russians was avoided during their stay in Moscow. The group did not meet "the people themselves" and were only in contact with Soviet ex-servicemen and officials, he said.—Reuter.

## BURMESE ENVOY TO ISRAEL

Tel-Aviv, May 15.

Burma's first diplomatic envoy to Israel, U Khin Maung Galey, will be received tomorrow by Israel's Premier and Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, it was announced today.

U Maung Galey arrived by air today from Belgrade via Cyprus. He is to establish the Burmese legation here.

He told reporters at the airport that Burma's decision to establish a legation in Israel "is a further step in the friendly relations between the two countries."

He was greeted at the airport by senior Foreign Ministry officials.

### SPECIAL PLANE

Meanwhile Government sources said a special plane would be sent to Cyprus on May 28 to fly Burma's Premier U Nu, who will pay a seven-day official visit to Israel within the frame of his tour of Yugoslavia, Egypt, Britain and the United States.

It is understood that Premier Moshe Sharett and members of his Cabinet will greet the Burmese Premier at Lydda airport.

Two mass rallies are to be organised during U Nu's visit to enable Israel's population to express its friendship to the Burmese leader.

U Nu is known to have expressed a desire to meet Israel's Defence Minister, Mr. David Ben Gurion, at the small village Sede Boker, in the wilderness to which the Israeli leader retired some 18 months ago and which he considers home even after his return to the Government last February.—Reuter.

## Victory For Adenauer

Bonn, May 15.

The Christian Democrat Party won an absolute majority in the Rhine-Palatinate Provincial Diet in today's elections.

The Christian Democrats (Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's party) won 51 out of the total of 100 seats in the Diet, according to election results published tonight.

The Christian Democrats, who had 43 seats in the previous Diet, gained eight seats. The Social Democrats have 36 seats in the new Diet, compared with 38 in the previous one. The Liberals lost six seats. They now have 13 as against 19 in the previous Diet.

### FIVE PER CENT

No other parties polled over five per cent of the total votes the Rhine-Palatinate Province and they are therefore not entitled to be represented on the Diet.

The Christian Democrats polled 45.8 per cent of the total votes, as compared with 39.2 per cent in the 1951 Diet elections and 62.1 per cent in the 1953 legislative elections.

The Social Democrats polled 31.7 per cent of the votes, as compared with 43 per cent in 1951 and 27.5 per cent in 1953. The Liberals polled 12.7 per cent of the votes as compared with 16.7 in 1951 and 12.1 in 1953.

The Communists had only 2.2 per cent today, Neo-Nazi 2.8 per cent, and the Refugee Bloc 1.8 per cent.—France-Press.

## Attempt To Stop Border Incidents

New Delhi, May 15.

Major-General Iskander Mirza, Pakistan's Minister of the Interior, and Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Indian Home Minister, meeting here today, decided to appoint a committee to report on detailed measures to prevent border incidents, according to an official Indian spokesman.

This committee is to report by Wednesday while another will work out ways of protecting shrines in their respective countries and consider the question of property belonging to the shrines.

The spokesman said the two ministers had agreed on liberal travel facilities for pilgrims to visit shrines and had decided to take up means of easing travel restrictions between India and Pakistan.

### KASHMIR PROBLEM

The Ministers had a private meeting today after attending further discussions between Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, Indian Prime Minister, and Mr. Mohammed Ali Jinnah, Pakistan's Prime Minister, on the problem of Kashmir. This is the third time the two Prime Ministers have met to try to solve the problem of the future of the 82,000 square miles of mountain territory with its population of more than 4,000,000 Moslems.

Kashmir's Deputy Minister, Mr. D. P. Dhar, has arrived in New Delhi to give Mr. Nehru the views of the Kashmir-Cabinet on the State's future.

Mr. P. L. Lakshminarayana, Chairman of the "End the Kashmir

Dispute Committee," has submitted a suggestion to both Prime Ministers for a plebiscite in Kashmir as a means of getting round the dispute over the number of troops to be maintained during the plebiscite.

He has suggested that plebiscites could be held successively in small areas from which all troops should be withdrawn. As the troops would be available in the event of aggressive action by either side, this would meet objections raised hitherto that the area now held by India and Pakistan must be defended while also removing troops from the plebiscite areas, Mr. Lakshminarayana said.

The two Prime Ministers first met to discuss the Kashmir question in June 1953 in London and again in August 1953 in New Delhi.

The earlier talks broke down over the respective numbers of troops to be left in Kashmir during the plebiscite recommended by the United Nations.—Reuter.



# A MODEL for the PATIENT

THIS is really Jack Romsey's story, not mine. But I knew Jack for so many years, and I was so fond of the boozey old scamp, that I feel, somehow, I belong.

by  
**LOUIS GOLDING**

It was early in the thirties that I first met him; or, rather, that I walked in on him, being, in fact, on a walking tour in Dorset. "Accommodation," announced the placard in the window through a tangle of clematis. So I knocked on the door and got myself accommodated, bed and breakfast half-a-crown a time.

I fell for the old boy immediately, in his enormous blue sweater, his sea-blue face, his heroic and craggy as the figurehead of an old galleon.

## A Navy man

There was a smell of rum about the place, and a jungle of aspidistras. But the thing that captured me at once in that cottage parlour, which you walked into with no bit of a lobby to hold you up, was the tremendous proliferation of royal chromo-lithographs, the sort that the women's magazines still issue gratis.

They went back to Queen Victoria, of course, and forward to George the Fifth, who was happily still with us. They included royal children who never grew up, and have since died. There were also photographs and paintings of all

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## DID IT HAPPEN?

continuing the stories that start you debating: are they FACT or FICTION

I thought, of course, that he'd taken a little too much rum, like many another good one-time sailor before him. But it wasn't that, apparently.

It seemed that the Law was under the impression he'd been trying to break into Buckingham Palace. I need not tell you that anyone less like a house-breaker, or a palace-breaker, than Jack Romsey, never drew breath.

"What's it all about, Jack?" I asked. For we had by this time recognised each other. Even old Jack was a bit relieved to have a respectable citizen turn up who could vouch for his bona fides.

So Jack told me. I won't try to reproduce the fruitless strains of Jack's Dorset dialect—the elongated vowels, the r's that come up from deep in the throat. I wouldn't dare.

All Jack was trying to do was to tell himself up to these fine folks, so as to get a good view of the hind quarters of Buckingham Palace.

"But what on earth for?" I asked. Not that I didn't know the answer (namely that Buckingham Palace was as sacred to Jack as the Kaaba is to the Moslems). But I wanted the police to hear it.

## Now, I ask you—

What on earth for? thundered Jack. Because how could he carve the behind wall of Buckingham Palace without getting a good look at it? That was what on earth for! Didn't I know that he was carving a model of Buckingham Palace as big as a piano with everything inside it down to the chairs and fenders, and he'd been on it "two whole years already? If I didn't know that, what did I know?

I pointed out to him, reasonably enough, that I hadn't been down to Praddock for several years, so he must forgive me. I pointed out to the police that in all the royal kingdoms there was no more devoted a subject than Jack. Jack was mollified. The Law was mollified too. Very relieved it was to let him off with a caution. As far as Grosvenor Place was concerned, the incident was over.

I took Jack along to the nearest hostelry and assured him I could probably hunt up some second-hand books, and old copies of illustrated magazines which would teach him all he wanted to know about the rear parts of Buckingham Palace without shinning up its walls.

I didn't see Jack again till the year after the war, and it wasn't in Praddock, either. It was in Grosvenor Place, where the rear wall of the Buckingham Palace park extends its crest of iron spikes towards Victoria. He wasn't alone. He was in the company of two stalwart policemen not so stalwart as himself, but still pretty hefty. He was expostulating with them very vigorously, and they weren't looking at all comfortable about it.

You can imagine that I took the earliest opportunity to make my way to Praddock and give the once-over to Jack's minia-

ture Buckingham Palace. Miniature is only a comparative word. Modeled, obviously, on Queen Mary's celebrated Doll's House, it practically filled the kitchen. There was almost no space left to swing an aspidistra.

Whenever I was in England in Dorset-time during the next few years, I made the pilgrimage to that other Buckingham Palace. Counting out a few prolonged and infuriating bouts of rheumatism, Jack was engaged a solid five years on his masterpiece. And when it was over to the last window-sill and the very bearings of the gurnies, masterly the thing was.

I was enchanted with it. Its scale spread. Jack went on doing his bed-and-breakfasts. But he found himself compelled

to charge a supplementary couple of shillings, there were so many visitors anxious to spend a night in the shadow of that noble edifice.

The Palace was all right. Funds were all right. Rum was all right, too, for everybody was more than happy to stand the royal architect as much liquor as he could take, and he could take plenty.

But, before long the only thing that wasn't all right was Jack himself. It doesn't take much guessing why. With the Palace finished, gutter and transom, throne and throne-room, his supreme gesture of loyal devotion executed poor Jack felt himself finished, too. Perhaps Beethoven felt like that when he'd finished the Ninth Symphony, and Shakespeare when he wrote the last words of The Tempest. Jack became moody.

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But Chileans are muttering: "Sooner shall these mountains turn into mushrooms than these two countries become one."

General Ibanez declared himself military dictator to break the deadlock.

He did fine until the depression came and the bottom fell out of the nitrate and copper businesses. The country went bankrupt and the general fled. That was in 1931.

A year later, he was back, only to be banished to Argentina.

For five years he waited. Then he was granted an amnesty.

Between then and 1952 he devoted himself to re-

building his political support.

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Drawing by KOOLEMAN

The next thing... he was laying about with that axe...

Now he was too unhappy even to touch a drop. Now he was so unhappy he filled himself till it came out of his ears. Poor Jack, he was a sorry sight.

This went on for about five months, as far as I can make out. Then something happened, as something was bound to happen. One night Jack, having been out chopping wood in the woodshed, found himself in the parlour with the axe in his hand.

The next thing anybody knows is that he was laying about his darling palace with that axe the way a fireman does when he wants to stop a fire spreading.

I think you can guess what the emotion was that ricked in his rum-sodden brain. There it was, the finished thing that had by and large finished his life for him, emptied it of direction and of savour. Break it up! Chop it into matchwood!

Or do you think that poor old Jack Romsey was just plain drink-crazy? Your guess is as good as mine. But if you, or anyone else including Jack himself, thought that the wildest destruction of that noble piece of work was going to make a fresh man of him, you're wrong.

## Three years

It solved no old problems, and added a new remorse. He went from bad to worse. A neighbour I had become friendly with summoned me to Praddock a month or two before my usual time.

The day came when the doctor felt it necessary to give Jack a good honest talking-to, a drubbing down you could call it, and a man had ever dared to do down Jack Romsey before. So they told me in the village.

"I don't know why you're not dead already," pronounced the doctor. "If you keep on drinking the way you are, you'll be dead in two years, three years at most."

There was silence for some time. The ponderous machine for Jack's brain almost audibly cracked. Then suddenly a light started in his ashen eye. It was like the spurt of a match.

"Could you give me three years, doctor?" he pleaded. "If it's three... I could manage it. It would be hard, but I know I could do it."

"Manage what?" asked the doctor.

"Never you mind," said Jack. "Could you make it three? That's all I'm asking you."

"I've told you. If you cut down the rum ration by nine-tenths, have a square meal at least once a day—"

But Jack wasn't listening. He had already turned on his bed, and was striding out of the place with something of the old bearing in his shoulders, and a phantom, at least, of that rolling sailor's gait.

## In time

He went straight to the joiner's shop, and ordered a load of firewood. Within half an hour he was back again at his old bench, rebuilding Buckingham Palace. That was all the did from then on, rebuild Buckingham Palace.

He had no more time for bed-and-breakfasts, excepting, I am pleased to say, for mine—though the truth is I had to make the bed and cook the breakfast not only for myself but for him, too. I didn't mind.

The doctor had given Jack three years. Jack gave Buckingham Palace three years. He just made it.

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## DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?

YES NO

Put your tick in the space above and close this book. By you will know whether the answer will be given with another story in this series by...

DEAN ROBINSON

Did Saturday's story — The Edge of Beyond, by Geoffrey Cotterell — actually happen? The answer: NO.

• He scored his first big success by pirating a tune... and his latest when he sang on television. Here FRANCIS MARTIN tells the story of

## Peter Dawson's 50 years of song

London. "That's £20 a week," said Dawson's Scots-born father, a plumber engineer, obviously a little scandalised at the prospect. "Why, at his age I wasn't making two."

Swallowing inherent doubts, Dawson senior opened a renewable credit of £100 for his son. Peter took his workbench in the family plumbing factory at Adelaide and reached London on Derby Day, 1902, after eight weeks in a White Star liner that was half steam, half sail.

He was still aglow from his success on TV's "Music For You" programme, when he outpersonality every body within reach. He sang "Road to Mandalay" and "The Floral Dance" with the rollicking confidence of a man who had spent a decade before the TV cameras. Actually he did not make his TV debut until the eve of his 73rd birthday three months ago.

"Compared with the concert platform," he says, "I find studio conditions a bit trying — all those strong lights, all those cables on the floor, having to toe all those lines. Still, viewers seemed to like it. You ought to see the fan mail I'm getting."

But there was no going back. Dawson had married Nan already. They were so hard up that when his audition chance came with Edison-Bell, he had to untwist the pennies from his wife's tight for his fare from Ealing, where they lived, to the recording studio at Euston.

Not only did he sing for Edison-Bell and other early companies. He pirated for them as well. With a shorthand writer at his elbow he would stroll into the stalls at the Pavilion or the Tivoli music hall carrying a smaller black box. When Harry Lauder or George Lashwood or Gus Elen came to sing some new hit which he had duly bought and paid for, Dawson would open his box and start up the miniature recorder inside.

Late that night, while the shorthand-writer transcribed the words of the song, Dawson would play over the cylinder two bars at a time, jotting down the tune and its harmonies. At eight next morning he would start practising the number. By ten he would be recording it on wax.

Big Money

For pirating "John, John, Go And Put Your Trousers On," a Billy Williams success, and singing it into the recording trumpet for five days from breakfast until tea-time, he drew his first big money, £75 in golden sovereigns.

"Pirates," I observe, "are—and were—wicked people."

"Agreed," says Dawson. "But everybody did it. Pirated sheet music used to be hawked in the streets. Publishers would knock the pirates down and tear up their stocks. Billy Williams once threatened to punch me in the nose, but never got round to it. Harry Lauder only grinned and told me I had a gr-r-rand voice."

On his way to £15,000 a year Dawson sang such utterly different types of music that he still wonders why his career didn't fall between the stools.

Touring the provinces with a team of fellow disc-boomers, he sang such things as "O Ender, The Cherry" and "Where Ever You Walk" in halls and white tie during the first half of the programme and comic numbers of the "Stop Your Ticking Jock" type in kilt and wig after the interval.

Versatility

He addresses himself, with impartial efficiency to Viennese comic opera, smoking concert numbers, lieder and the higher flights of oratorio. Such versatility, coupled with his song-writing knack, has not always been readily forgiven.

Throughout his hustles, Dawson had Nan at his side as professional adviser. Two years ago Nan died while they were visiting Australia. Her younger sister, Constance, went out to be with her during her last illness.

"Don't go back," whispered the dying Nan to Constance. "Stay on and look after the old boy."

Constance became the second Mrs Dawson six months ago. "He has known me," she smiles, "since I was five."

JUST WAITING

But Juan Peron is waiting for the Pacific star to meet the Argentine sun.

The Chileans are waiting for the mountains to turn into mushrooms.

And General Ibanez is wishing he had stayed in Argentina after all.

Only the Communists are chuckling. They know that the longer the stalemate lasts, the greater will be the chaos. The poorer Chile, the unhappier its workers, the happier Moscow.

And still the statue of Christ gazes down from the mountains.

Last October, he declared a "state of siege" in the mines.

Nothing like the Argentine prosperity resulted. Nothing happened, in fact.

There were lots of talk about deals with Argentina. But they all sounded like a big swallow job—with Japan Peron doing the swallowing.

In a broadcast just after the election, Peron said: "These two fatherlands may turn into one, having as a flag the solitary star of the Pacific and the fraternity of the Argentine sun."

A vague agreement on "economic co-operation" was signed. But it put no steaks on Chilean plates.

The voters had saddled General Ibanez with two houses of parliament packed with his opponents.

That brought things to a neat standstill.

But Ibanez, now 77, was too old to play the dictator.

He was faced with a wave of strikes, inspired by the local Communists.

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## CHILE AWAITS ITS REDEEMER

By BERNARD McTAGGART

Santiago, Chile. IN the Andes pass which divides Chile from Argentina there is a 26-foot high statue of Christ the Redeemer.

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But Chileans are muttering: "Sooner shall these mountains turn into mushrooms than these two countries become one."

## IN A MUDDLE

Three years ago they thought otherwise — and the change in their thinking has landed them into a muddle, such as easy-going democratic Chile has seldom known.

Three years ago was the time when they elected as President General Carlos Ibanez del Campo.

They had known the general of old — and some

building his political support.

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## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Aggressive Bid Pays Off Here

By OSWALD JACOBY

**S**OUTH was aggressive in bidding of today's hand, but it worked out very well for him. He played the hand well, and probably he was helped by the defence. This, however, is no more than the average good player expects. He counts on the fact that the defence usually has more problems than the declarer.

West opened the three of clubs, hoping to get a trick or two in the unbid suit. Declarer went up at once with the ace of clubs, cashed the top diamonds in order to get rid of his last club, and finessed the jack of hearts to West's queen.

West had debated the advisability of leading a trump, and he wavered once more. Finally, he decided against it. Instead he led the king of clubs, forcing South to ruff.

South cashed the ace of hearts and led a heart toward dummy. West wavered.

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♠ 97	
♥ 92	
♦ AKJ84	
♣ A75	
WEST	
♠ KJ85	
♥ Q7	
♦ 97	
♣ KJ632	
EAST	
♠ 2	
♥ K1086	
♦ 10953	
♣ 109	
SOUTH	
♠ A10643	
♥ A543	
♦ 2	
♣ 84	
North-South vul.	
♠ East	♠ South
♥ Pass	♥ Pass
♦ 1NT	♦ 3
♣ Pass	♣ 4
Opening lead—♠ 4	

again and discarded a club. By this time, of course, South knew who had the king of spades. This turned out to be important.

South ruffed another club to get back to his hand and led another low heart towards a dummy. West again discarded a club, his last, and dummy ruffed.

At this stage, declarer had taken eight tricks. He led a low diamond from the dummy and ruffed with the ace. Then he led his last heart toward dummy. West couldn't prevent dummy's queen of trumps from furnishing declarer's tenth trick.

South would have been beaten if he had ruffed the diamond with the ace. West would have over-ruffed and would have returned the king of spades. Then West would be sure of the last two tricks, defeating the contract.

## CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:  
North East South West  
1 Club Pass 1 Diamond Pass  
2 Spade Pass

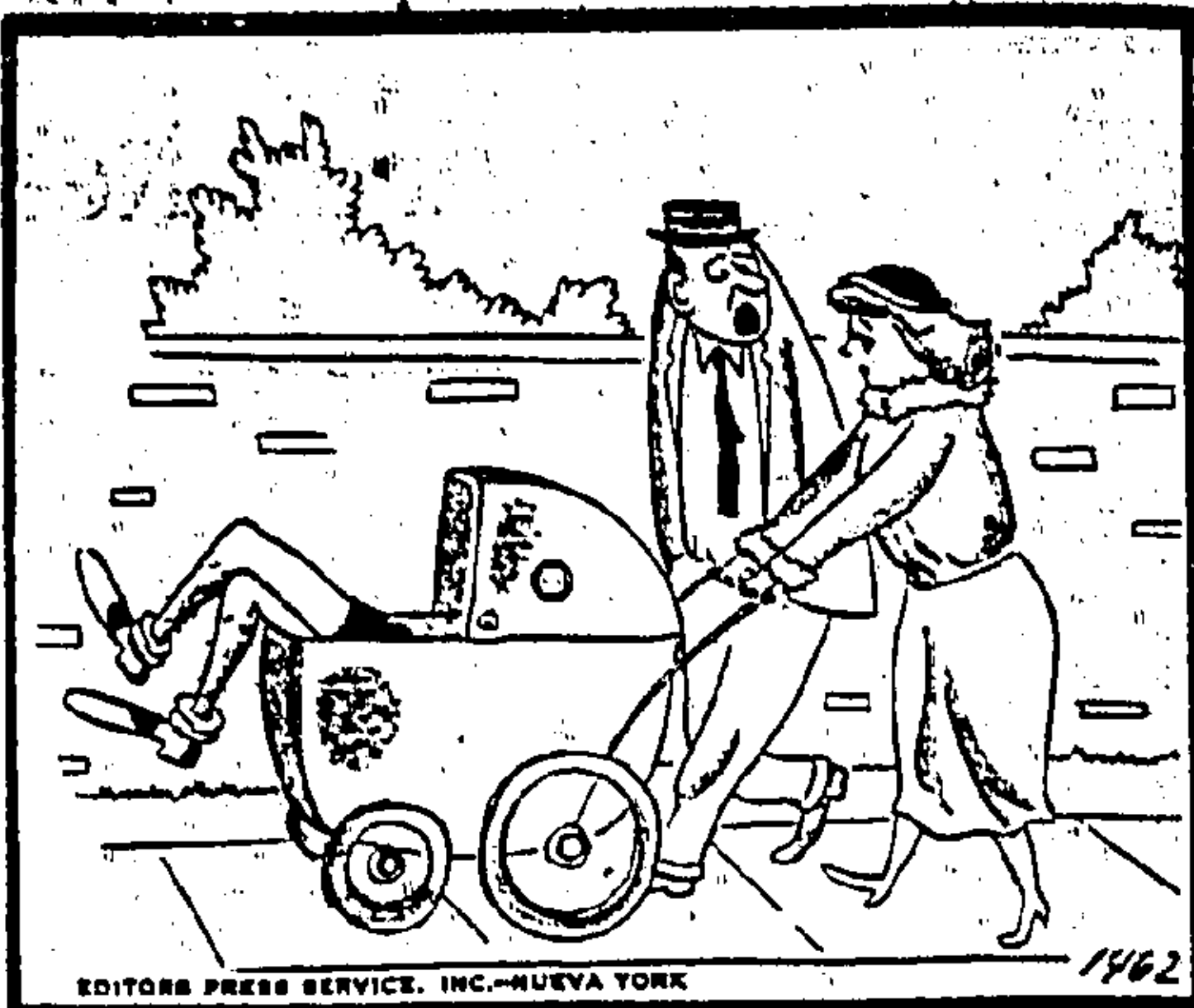
You, South, hold: Spades Q-J-3, Heart 7, Diamonds A-K-Q, 5-6-7-8 Clubs K-4. What do you do?

A—Bid four no-trump. You are willing to risk in the first diamond suit. There is only one ace in six diamonds, if he has two or more aces. It is possible to bid a slam and go down with this hand, but the gain more than balances it.

## TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades 7-3, Hearts 7-4-2, Diamonds K-J-6-5-3, Clubs K-9-4. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow



"I think it's time you quit spoiling that kid."

## YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

MONDAY, MAY 16

**B**ORN today, you have the ability and the courage to face facts, no matter how unpleasant they may be. You will then find a solution to your problems and work them out satisfactorily. Your judgment is excellent and your memory accurate. You are something of a disciplinarian when it comes to managing people and affairs, either personal or business. You will probably attain success early, and have a long and pleasant life.

Family ties are strong and you are much beloved by those with whom you come in contact. You are fond of pleasant society but are not one to make it a "career". You women are apt to be interested in civic and community affairs. If you can tie your social life to some worthwhile philanthropy, that

will justify having a good time. Although you could make good in a career, you would never be completely content without a home and family of your own.

You must be warned against false pride. You believe in standing on your own feet and never asking help. Remember that some things go better when you act co-operatively.

Among those born on this date are: Philip D. Armour, merchant; and philanthropist; William H. Seward, Levi P. Morton, statesman; Elizabeth P. Peabody, and Timothy Dwight, educators; and Margaret Sullivan, actress.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, MAY 17

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21-May 21)—Although influences are somewhat involved, you will find a positive approach works wonders.

**GEMINI** (May 22-June 21)—You can avoid any possible misunderstanding with a friend by being completely frank and open.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 23)—Your own sign ruler is favourable but there are contradicting aspects which demand caution.

**LEO** (July 24-Aug. 23)—Be sure of yourself before you sit back complacently! Things are not always as easy as they seem.

**VERGO** (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Be sure to discern the difference between true and false promises. Don't be fooled by anyone.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—It may be better to seek expert advice if you are contemplating any kind of business expansion.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Don't be vaunting when it comes to talking about yourself. Let actions speak for themselves.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—You may now be able to enjoy the rewards for past efforts. They're due.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If conditions warrant it, now may be a good time to consider business expansion.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Although the influences may be a little mixed, your attitude toward things can be helpful.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Be master of your own fate before you make an attempt to lead others. That way lies success.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Aspects are good but there is some matter known only to yourself, in which you need to be extra careful.

## TARGET

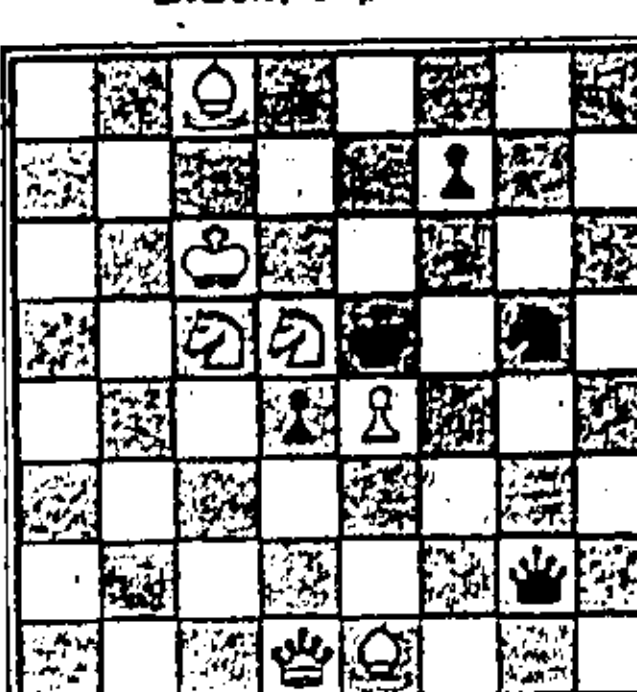
S	T	L
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How many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? In making each word the letters in the center square, and there may be at least one letter word in the list. No plurals; no proper names; no foreign words. **TODAY'S TARGET:** 24 words. Good: 31 words, very good: 31 words, excellent. Solution tomorrow.

**SATURDAY'S SOLUTION:** Feign, fern, fern, fine, finger, five, fore, foreign, FOREIGNER, forge, forger, free, freeing, free, frier, fringe, frog, gofer, goat, infer, orle, reef, refine, refiner, refer, rifle.

## CHESS PROBLEM

By J. B. SANTIAGO  
Black, 5 pieces.



White, 7 pieces.  
White to play; mate in two.  
Solution: 1. Q-B1, any; 2. Q, or B mates.

## Fine Stamp From Ceylon

**C**ZEYLON is going ahead in her campaign to brighten up her stamps and print them by the most modern techniques. Look at the new 10-cent issue showing such a lovely bunch of coconuts. It was printed by the photo-gravure process, in which photography plays the part that drawings and engravings played in the more old-fashioned techniques.



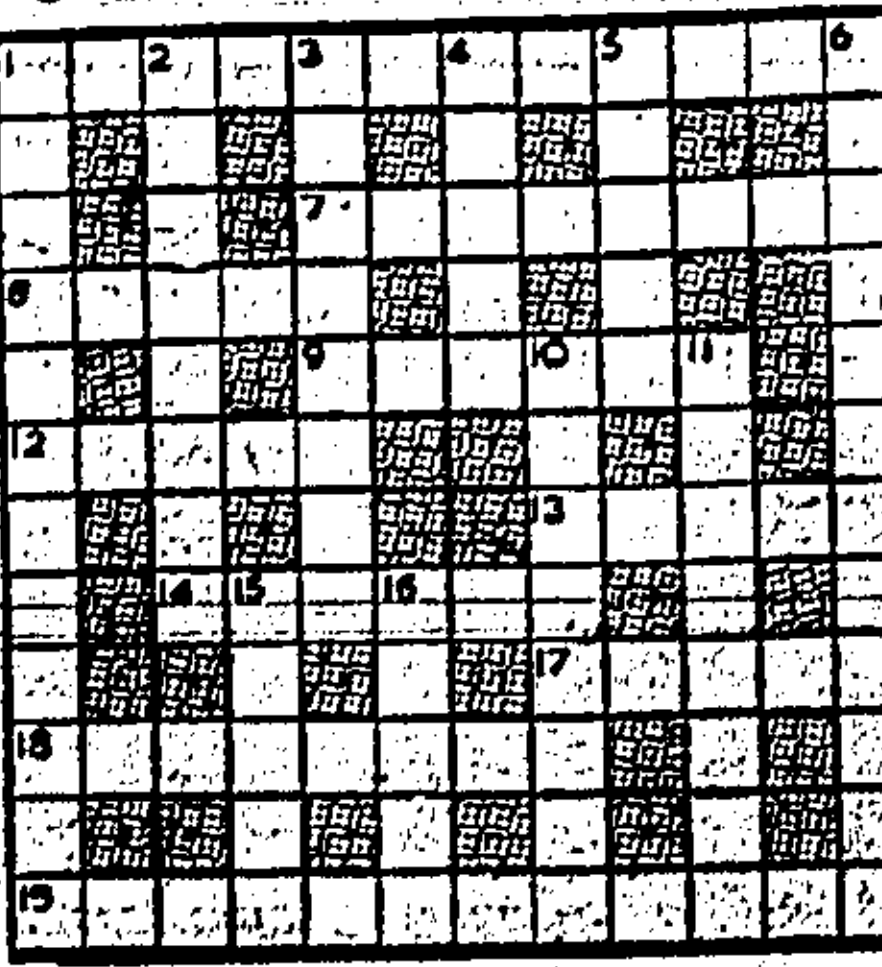
To judge by the fine and detailed shading of the palm fronds, I would say the firm which produced this stamp was Courvoisier, of Switzerland.

Yes, the stamps of Ceylon have come a long way since the first 8d purple brown Victoria was issued on April 1, 1857.

The catalogue gives prices for Ceylon's stamps from 1d to £750—that is the assessment for an unused 8d purple brown put out on April 23, 1859.

The new coconut stamp is perforated 14 by 13 and costs 3d in London. Very nice for the money.—J. A. A.

## CROSSWORD



- Across
- In the matter of the long view, they are the best things in the house. (5)
  - This is heavenly. (8)
  - Order of this is very high. (6)
  - The main changes for the musical composition. (6)
  - The kind of note played for a runner. (6)
  - Down. (3, 2)
  - Tan with hat around. (8)
- Down
- Chemicals on balance are seen on bottles. (6)
  - Not unlucky if you get the answer. (8)
  - Mark the Spanish rhythm. (8)
  - This may be 100 times to a shilling. (10)
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# WOMANSENSE

## NEW TEENAGE FASHIONS—

By Dorothy Barkley



**T**HREE cheers for the teenagers. They have come into their own at last and are taking up fashion in a big way.

For the dull and oh-so-practical styles, which looked more like an overgrown schoolgirl's, are out and a gay, younger-than-spring time look is in. Teenagers

have at last been given a new deal.

I have been keeping a weather eye open for teenage fashion, and here is a quick summary. First, teenagers need no longer be fashion's forgotten few, provided they take the trouble to hunt out the new styles. "Second, practically everyone has an idea for them, and that includes the cotton dress designers, the shoe makers, the handbag people, the hat makers and the hair stylists. Here's how, beginning with the dressmakers.

To brighten their wardrobe they buy detachable collars in a new spongy plastic which contrives to look like linen (the same now makes men's collars). In red, blue or white, these collars have black bows stitched through eyelet holes and give a fresh touch to a cotton sweater or cardigan.

Then, to hats. If and when you can persuade a teenager to wear a hat—granted, that may not be often—she will choose one of two styles. One is the cloche hat, rising to a pointed crown, and made in crocheted straw. (Illustrated). The other is the baker-boy beret made in pique, rayon shantung or velveteen.

Finally, look at hairstyles. Says Steiner, who sets the hair of the debutantes and the fashion for the rest: "We are keeping their styles young. They must be handled carefully and made to look too old, that comes soon enough." (So he says.) "Curls are out; waves are in. My new S-line is perfect on young short hair."

Technical detail: In the S-line the hair is waved to the shape of the head and then turned up into just a suggestion of a curl. This is to create a sleek, groomed look—so much better than the debutante's flop, the pony tail, and the rest.

**ACCESSORIES**

To represent them all, because it is young with a dash of sophistication, here is a Horrocks style. It is one of those versatile dresses that suit an English summer or a warm climate anywhere. In flower-printed cotton, it has round neck, cap sleeves, swinging skirt, and cummerbund neckline. Neither too low nor too covered-up.

Then, to accessories. All of them have a young air of their own now. Take handbags as one example. They are in soft glove leathers, the shape of a circular "moon" with semi-circular bone handles. They are in grosgrain, shaped like a gigantic purse enlarged from pocket to handbag size. They

## Cheese Featured In Snappy Entree

By ALICE DENHOFF

**C**CHEESE is a first class protein food, yet what man would be happy to discover a piece of plain cheese on his dinner plate instead of meat? It would look skimpy, insufficient, and he would know by experience that it would not satisfy hunger as well as meat, because, being a concentrated food, it does not "fill" the stomach.

But combine plenty of cheese into a "made dish," with other ingredients, and the picture changes. You will have produced a beautiful-looking entree that looks and smells delicious. Snappy cheese cake is delicious and easy to make.

To serve 4 to 6: Pour 3/4 c. scalded milk over 2 c. soft enriched bread crumbs. Add 2 1/2 tsp. butter or margarine, 1 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. each pepper and paprika, 1/2 tsp. table mustard, 1

# BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## Mr. Punch's Alarm

—A Clock That Sounded Off to Alert Him—

By MAX TRELL

**E**VERYONE was talking about clocks. By everyone we mean Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, and General Tin the tin soldier, and Mr Punch and his wife Judy, and Teddy the Stuffed Bear.

## Alarm Clock on A Cord

"When I was a boy," Mr Punch began by saying, "I used to carry an alarm clock around with me. I kept it tied around my neck by a long cord."

"An alarm clock!" Hanid exclaimed in amazement.

"It was very handy," Mr Punch said. "It used to ring at different times of the day. First it would ring at eight o'clock to wake me up. Then it would ring at twelve o'clock to remind me it was time to eat lunch. Then it would ring at one o'clock to tell me it was time to stop eating lunch. It would ring for dinner, and ring for play, and ring for school."

"Didn't it ever ring to tell you it was time to wind it?" Judy interrupted with a laugh.

"No," replied Mr Punch. "I always knew it needed winding when it stopped ringing."

General Tin now said that all the animals in the world could tell the time by just looking at the sun.

This surprised everyone in the room, especially Teddy the Stuffed Bear who said: "How can the animals tell the time by just looking at the sun, General Tin?"

"Well," said General Tin with a sly wink, "they can really tell two kinds of time."

"Two kinds?" said Teddy, more surprised than ever. "How can they tell two kinds of time by looking at the sun?"

"Oh, I didn't know you meant THAT," said Teddy.

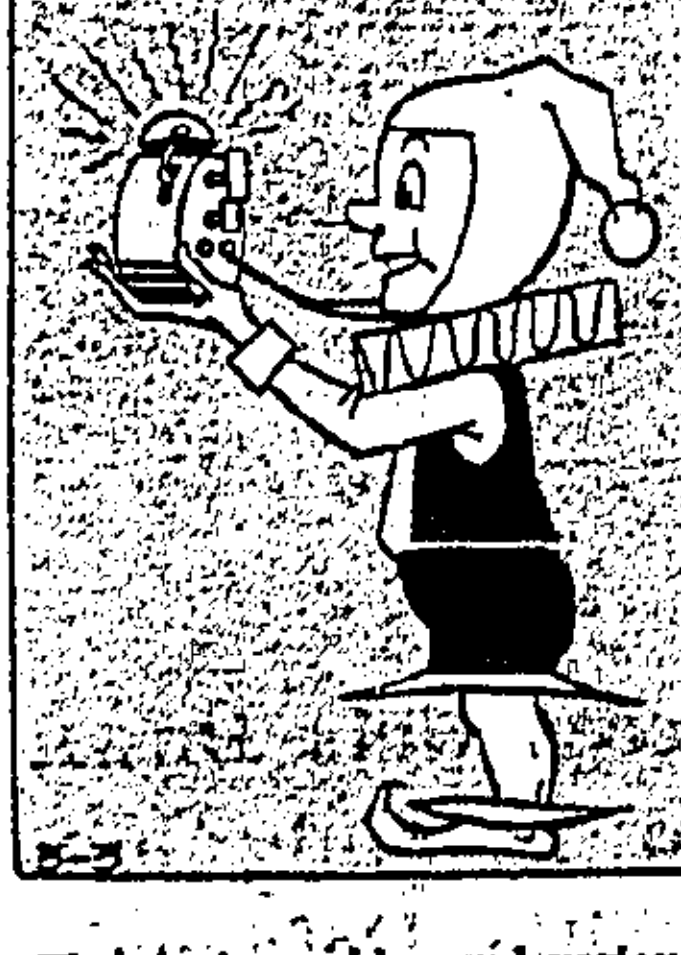
Everyone else in the room was laughing so Teddy laughed too. General Tin had really been making a joke.

Judy said: "There's one animal I know of who really was able to tell the time by a clock."

Knarf and Hanid and Teddy all wanted to know who that animal was.

"It was a mouse," replied Judy. "In fact, it was the mouse who ran up the clock."

Hanid remembered the poem: Hickory, Dickory, Dock,



The clock would sound various alarms.

The mouse ran up the clock. The clock struck one. The mouse ran down. Hickory, dickory, dock.

Knarf said: "I know a certain bird who always knows the time. She doesn't even have to look at a clock. She's the one who tells the clock what time it is."

## Living Clocks

This sounded like a riddle. When he saw that no one could guess it, Knarf smiled and said: "The bird I mean is cuckoo who lives inside the clock and comes out every half hour to tell everyone the correct time."

"All birds are good at knowing the time," said Mr Punch. "The rooster is the first one to get up in the morning to tell everyone that a new day has begun. He's really a clock all by himself. But all birds like to sing in the morning for the same reason—except of course the nightingale who likes to sing at night."

## Latest Medical Advances

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

**O**UR monthly report on new medical advances brings news of help today for victims of rheumatic fever, leukaemia and certain types of non-pulmonary tuberculous lesions.

The Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation of New York City recently announced that a new form of penicillin has "proved unusually effective in the control and prevention of rheumatic fever."

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Effects of the new antibiotic, called benzathine penicillin, were described in a recent issue of the Foundation's Bulletin on Rheumatic Diseases, issued monthly to physicians and scientists throughout the world. The report states that the antibiotic eradicates the streptococcal infection that may lead to rheumatic fever. Injection will protect a child for an entire month.

A new anti-folic acid drug, Methotrexate, has been announced by the Lederle Laboratories Division of the American Cyanamid Company.

Methotrexate is chemically similar to another anti-leukaemia drug, Aminopterin, developed in 1947. When used in combination with ACTH, cortisone and other compounds, Methotrexate is said to help give 70 percent of children doomed with leukaemia a temporary return to good health.

Animal tests indicate that the new anti-folic acid may work on children who do not respond to compounds now in use.

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Development of an enzyme jelly useful in treatment of certain types of non-pulmonary tuberculous lesions was reported in a recent issue of the American Review of Tuberculosis.

Dr. George N. Hazenbush of New York University College of Medicine wrote that the jelly "was found effective in healing a number of suppurative tuberculous lymph nodes." Each lesion, he said, must be treated on individual basis. Areas of the disease not in direct contact with the jelly, he explained, are not affected by the application.



## NORMAN PHILLIPS TROPHY MATCH

## RALEIGH LEUNG GOES AS FAR AS LANTAO TO MAKE IT A SWEEPING VICTORY

By "RECORDER"

History reversed itself at Pokfulam yesterday in the second annual Norman Phillips Trophy Match as the South China Athletic Association swept through to a convincing 120-66 victory against the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Club. University's two-man team of Ng Chuan-wai and Chan Leong-chye scored 19 points to make it a triangular match.

Last year the HKAAC turned out a small but strong team to win the match. Yesterday the HKAAC had a numerically strong team, except in the running events, but a team without such great all-rounders as Bill Nisbett.

South China's Raleigh Leung, remembering how the HKAAC collected points on places rather than winners a year ago, saw to it that his team was numerically strong. Not only were such Caroline Hill stars as Lee Shun-chung, Leung Kam-po, Chan Kim-hung and Chan King-yin all present, but 18 vital points were salvaged even from Lantao as hurdler Chang Yat-hung made one of his rare journeys to town. As captain of the team he was to receive the Norman Phillips Trophy for the first time from Mrs J. Van Vliet.

## MOST IMPRESSIVE

The Athletic Club took on this night of South China with the most impressive list of absentees in its history. Among those who were not present were Stephen, Xavier, Mike Curran, Malcolm Marsh, Billy McCall and Robert Marques. Most, we understand, could not attend for various logical reasons.

The afternoon started with some good work by the reserves as Bruce Tulloh and J. Thomson made a light of it in the 200 Yards and collected four points. Tulloh on his first competitive appearance as a half miler, showed real class as he took third place in 2:11.1, ahead of Leung Kam-po and K. Lee. A second behind Lee Shun-chung, if he hadn't hung back too far over the early stages of the race he may even have produced the upset of the season. One must note here also the class performance of Chan Hung-man, better known as a Miller, who just pipped Tulloh for second place.

The HKAAC then lined up Samuel Lo, L. A. Cooper and

T. H. Tomlinson against Wong Man-wan and Co. in the 100 Yards. Man-wan won in 10.7 against a strong wind and Tomlinson at 11.1 came near enough to third place.

## FIRST VICTORY

The HKAAC's first victory came from a most unexpected quarter as Capt. S. T. Harrison heaved the 10-lb shot out to 37 feet 3 inches. Here one must note the effort of Brother Conrad who reached 26 feet 7 inches in a valiant effort to score some points for the Club. The Club's only starter in the 220 and 440 Yards was R. B. Hinton whose 24.6 and 55.2 seconds were in good second efforts were in good class but not good enough against an inspired South China team. The 440 Yards saw one of the upsets of the season as Cheung Chek-yin cut out Leung Kam-po who for some years now has been South China's No. 1 at this distance. Chek-yin's 54.6 was very promising for the future.

Bruce Tulloh scored a grand victory in the Mile in 4:55.7. Colin Brand won the Javelin with a throw of just under 170 feet in a strong cross wind,

making the total of HKAAC first places in this meeting exactly three.

The only really impressive bit of work by the HKAAC was in the High Hurdles and Javelin Throw where nine and 11 points were collected. In the High Hurdles, always a weak event with the Club, L. A. Cooper, Samuel Lo and Roy Bell made it two-three-four behind Chang Yat-hung and an improving Cheung Chek-yin.

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Tsang Chun-him was unexpectedly pushed back into third place in the Long Jump as Lin Cheung cleared 5 feet 8 inches and University's unpredictable Chan Leong-chye cleared 5 feet 6 inches for second.

Ng Chuan-wai was again near 22 feet in the Long Jump. Chang Yat-hung was second at 20 feet 8 1/2 inches and Tomlinson collected points nicely in the throwing events and it was in the field rather than the track events that the HKAAC scored.

For the Club, Brother Conrad, who had earlier also competed in the Discus Throw, unleashed a tremendous first lap to send Father Lawler off well in the lead. The Club Chairman held on to this but on the changeover there was some very bad baton-passing and the youthful Yeung Chee-ki staked off into a comfortable lead that Mr. Van Vliet did not give any ground to but could not close.

The Club Patriarch, J. E. P. Blenkinsop, whose 56 summers dragged the combined age of the HKAAC team to an impressive 181 years, was given no chance against 37-year-old Cheung Chek-yin but did not concede more than two yards at best. Times were 27.4 and 28.2. The actual distance run was nearer 220 Yards than 200 and this was fast going for the veterans.

Before closing, tribute must be paid again to South China's Chan Kim-hung who after five years of trying finally managed to win his first track race after a great deal with J. Thomson. The times—16:54.7 and 16:55.8—were fast for this time of the year and the 240-yard track.

Results are as follows:—  
Hop, Step and Jump: 1. Ng Chuan-wai (HKAAC); 2. Chan Yat-hung (SCAA); 3. Chan Hung-man (SCAA). Distance: 44 feet.  
80 Yards: 1. Lee Shun-chung (SCAA); 2. Chan Hung-man (SCAA); 3. M. B. S. Miller (HKAAC). Time: 2 mins 10.3 secs.  
100 Yards: 1. Lee Shun-chung (SCAA); 2. Lee Wing-lai (HKAAC); 3. Sham Pit-chung (SCAA). Time: 10.7 secs.  
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## LEAGUE BOWLS

4 MIGHTY TEAMS CRASH  
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THEIR BILLIANT VICTORY

By "TOUCHER"

Although the high standard of bowls that Hongkong is capable of still has to be reached, the second week's programme of the Colony League matches over the week-end produced a full quota of thrills and spills.

The crash of at least four mighty teams echoed throughout the local lawn bowls world barely minutes after the battles were completed, and over the wreckage strode the custodians of the law, silent and efficient, as usual, to take the lead in the Senior Division of the League with a 5-0 triumph over Indian Recreation Club "Gold."

The greatest setback of the week was undoubtedly that suffered by the Senior League Champions, the "Blues", who once again and for the third time in succession met their Waterloo at the hands of the Kowloon Cricket Club.

Displaying excellent teamwork and a consistently superior form all round, the KCC were full value for their brilliant victory in which it could be said every member played a part.

This was amply demonstrated by F. R. Kermack and his men whose 22-18 win over the Recoire rink skipped by Jackie Noronha was the result of a piece of brilliant combination. Among their opponents, George Gutierrez at lead, though a little out of practice, drew in some good woods and C. Roza-Pereira played a steady game throughout.

Recoire, however, covered up this six-shot lead mainly through the fine efforts of the two Luz brothers with a 24-17 decision over the KCC rink of A. V. Lopes, Dick Rossetti, W. Gaffney, and Tommy Bolt.

Joe Luz at No 3 was especially prominent in the Recoire rink and among the KCC bowlers Tony Lopes gave an exceptionally fine performance at lead.

**THRILLER ALL THE WAY**  
The match itself was a thriller all the way. When Kermack, Noronha, Luz and Baker had completed their 21 heads, Recoire was one up on the aggregate with Hong Sling playing the 18th head against Johnny Ribeiro.

That the decisive heads should have been played out by last year's Champion skip, Hong Sling, and another of the Colony's top-ranking skips, Johnny Ribeiro, was a fitting climax to the game.

Both bowlers rose to the occasion grandly and furnished the goodly sprinkle of spectators with some classic bowls. A single by Hong Sling on the 18th head took his rink to an 18-17 lead and made the aggregate even. On the 19th head Hong Sling received grand support from his front men who drew in three shots. The KCC skip drew in a fourth shot and improved on this with his second wood to chalk up a count of five.

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a lie of five shots. With the first shot lying about eight inches wide of the jack on the forehand and the second shot, almost alongside it, Hong Sling tried to rest the first shot or take the jack back, only to be wide with his first wood and rather unlucky with his second when it went through between the jack and the wood.

The last head was played with the aggregate again tied and Hong Sling's rink leading by 23-22.

## A GOOD START

D. Sequeira gave the KCC rink a good start on his head by drawing two shots, one about eighteen inches behind the jack and another jack-high.

The position remained unchanged when the No 3's went down to bowl except that the backhand was fairly well blocked, leaving only the swinging forehand open.

Asked to put in a forehand blocker, Jimmy Wong fell victim to the swinging green by being narrow and short with both his woods. With his first wood Johnny Ribeiro drew the first shot about six inches wide of the jack. Hong Sling succeeded with his first wood in his attempt to either rest the shot or trail the jack, taking the jack back about two feet to lie three shots.

Johnny Ribeiro was short with his second wood and Hong Sling threw away his last wood in his attempt to either rest the shot or trail the jack, taking the jack back about two feet to lie three shots.

Over at Happy Valley Indian Recreation Club confounded the critics by overwhelming Craigengower Cricket Club by 4½ points to ½. With heavy cross winds sweeping over the green, neither side reached any really exceptional standard of bowls grandly and furnished the goodly sprinkle of spectators with some classic bowls.

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## DAVIS CUP

Ampon Shows His Form  
In Workouts At Tokyo

Tokyo, May 15.

Pairings will be announced May 27 for the Davis Cup Eastern Zone finals between Japan and the PI to be played here on May 28, 29 and 30.

Ichiji Kumagai, former Davis Cupper who gave the late William Tilden a rough time in the latter's heyday was selected as referee on Saturday at a meeting between the visiting team and officials of the Japan Lawn Tennis Association.

The Filipino players made a fine impression in their first light workout on Saturday afternoon at the Tokyo Lawn Tennis Club courts.

Masanosuke Fukuda, another former Davis Cup star, said the visitors showed plenty of class. He had high praise for Felicissimo Ampon.

"Ampon is small in stature but he plays faultlessly and true to his brilliant record in Europe and the United States. He's shown he had plenty in reserve," Fukuda said. "I was particularly impressed by his adept backhand in returning serves."

## INTERNATIONAL TENNIS

Australians Win  
Doubles Title

Barcelona, May 15.

The Australian pair, Mervyn Rose and Worthington, won the final of the Men's Doubles at the International Tennis Championships here today when they defeated the United States pair, Art Larsen and Budge Patty by 6-2, 2-6, 6-2 and 6-1.—France Press.

## Olympic Games Tickets

POLICE CALLED  
TO CONTROL  
LARGE CROWD

Melbourne, May 15.

People with deck chairs and sleeping bags were queuing well before midnight last night (Sunday) outside the booking office of the 1956 Olympic Games. The office opens at 9 a.m. today.

There were similar scenes at Sydney, where first bookings also start today.

Police here will stand by to help control the large crowd expected outside the booking office when it opens.

The games open in Melbourne in November next year.—Reuters.

## SEVEN-A-SIDE



Sing Tao and Army 'B' in the Seven-A-Side Knock-out Soccer competition yesterday. Sing Tao won 2-0.—China Mail Photo.

Marciano Is Firm  
Favourite To Keep  
Heavyweight Title

San Francisco, May 15.

On the eve of the World Heavyweight boxing title fight between America's holder, Rocky Marciano, and Britain's challenger, Don Cockell, boxing fans were only asking one question here.

In what round will Don Cockell be knocked out? The 30-year-old 188-pound World Heavyweight Champion has been firm favourite to keep his title at Kezar Stadium here tomorrow night.

It was considered that the 26-year-old British and British Empire Champion would not last more than seven rounds of the scheduled 15 rounds.

Despite all the efforts, angles and schemes of Harry Mendel, publicity man for the International Boxing Club, little interest is being shown in the fight.

Kezar Stadium, only a few blocks from the Pacific Ocean, has been set up to seat some 70,000 spectators, and aimed at a million dollar gate.

Publicity circles here, and there are many, said "Old Harry" had pulled all the tricks out of his well filled bag to get the public interested in the match. Early statements from both fighters on the outcome of the fight, the World Champion, wearing 16 ounce gloves, and above all, Marciano's nose.

A doctor was reported last week to have brought Marciano a new "Ocean Lotion", extracted from seaweed to close up cuts in a matter of seconds. The size of the ring, weight of the gloves and Californian boxing have also called for comment.

John Simpson, the challenger's manager, said the 16½ foot square ring was too small for Cockell, who likes to move around in a 20 footer. The eight-ounce gloves should be six-ounce and a member of the British Boxing Board of Control has flown out from London to formulate the boxing rules.

The public have failed to react, saying it wouldn't be long for Rocky Marciano to send "Blubbery" Don back to his pig farm near London.

## BOXING CRITICS

Cockell deceived many boxing critics when he started training here. Despite the fact that Simpson had warned them that the challenger was generally "Lazy" against sparring partners. But newsmen found that he would be an easy target for "the Rock's" killing punches. Cockell has a good straight left plus a left hook but his punches lacked power.

Concerning his resistance, it was recalled that Cockell had been beaten five times before the time limit, notably by Jimmy Slade and Randolph Turpin.

The challenger has won 61 fights, lost 10 and one drawn. The Champion has an undefeated professional record with 41 of 47 victories won by knockouts. He won the World title by knocking out Jersey Joe Walcott on September 23, 1952 and has since defended it twice against Ezzard Charles, once against Walcott and once against Roland La Starza.

It was estimated that no more than 40,000 spectators would be around the ring and the gate would be around the \$500,000 mark. The biggest receipts were expected to come from the television, which is to relay the fight over 58 towns.

If Cockell wins, Marciano has the right to a return match within 90 days. No one here thinks this will be necessary but they ironically added that anything can happen. In a Heavyweight fight, however, the last British boxer to hold the World Heavyweight title was Bob Fitzsimmons, who defeated "Gentleman" Jim Corbett on March 17, 1897, at Carson, Nevada, by a knockout in the 14th round.

Cockell will be the first British fighter to fight for this title, since Tommy Farr was defeated by Joe Louis on points at the Yankee Stadium, New York City, on August 30, 1937.—France Press.

San Rafael, Calif., May 15. Don Cockell, who faces Rocky Marciano tomorrow night, issued this pre-battle statement today:

"I have trained hard and faithfully for this fight, both in England before coming over here and in the United States. I can safely say I'm in the best condition of my career. I have never entered a fight feeling in such perfect shape."

"I'm confident I will win; I'll do my best and I'm sure that will be good enough. I'm trained to go 15 rounds, but I'll give a chance to end it before I try my best to do it. The fact that I'm the underdog does not bother me, that has happened many times before and I have won."

"I have received many letters and telegrams of good wishes from folks in the United States and Canada and have been deluged with thousands of letters and cables from England. I'm going to win. I won't let the folks in England down."

One of the "good luck" cables was from Tommy Farr.—United Press.

FRANCE BEAT  
ENGLAND 1-0  
AT SOCCER

Paris, May 15.

France, one of the most improved teams on the Continent, gained a deserved 1-0 win over England at the Colombes Stadium here today.

True, the goal came from a penalty by centre forward Raymond Kopa after 38 minutes but France, adapted themselves the better to the slippery turf, were quicker on the ball, more accurate with their passes and were generally steeper.

England's defeat might have been heavier but for the brilliance of goalkeeper Bert Williams who made several brilliant saves. He had no chance with Kopa's penalty kick awarded when right back Peter Sillett, playing in his first international, pulled down left-winger Vincent.

Stanley Matthews was completely subdued. He was closely marked by Roger Marche playing in his 43rd match for France and he saw little of the ball.

England never settled down into the formidable combination which routed Scotland at Wembley last month. The attack was disjointed and ill-hungry, the finishing was poor and numerous chances were missed.—Reuters.

It Was Hardly A  
Vintage Year In  
British Rugby

Says PETER LOVEGROVE

The 1954/55 Home Rugby Union season, now drawing to a close with the traditional seven-a-sides and lighthearted holiday tours, had its dazzling highlights but will hardly be remembered as a vintage year. The long lay-off owing to snow, ice and fog in January and February, when players usually reach their peak, may have been partly responsible.

Most of the memorable moments seem to be bound up with great finishes—a superbly-fit France storming through the tired England defence in the last ten minutes at Twickenham; that inspired Welsh spell which produced 18 points in 15 minutes against the bemused Irish at Cardiff Arms Park; Scotland's almost incredible second-half rout of Wales at Murrayfield and their final despairing but unsuccessful rally in the Calcutta Cup; Lancashire passing the Middlesex score in the last four minutes of the County Championship final.

And some individual gems will be slow to fade: Ken Jones streaking through for two thrilling Barbarian tries; Philip Davies weaving and swerving at great speed; Lewis Jones' superb artistry in his brief reappearance during Naval reserve training; Peter Ryan's electrifying transformation into a Richmond winger; the ginger-haired South African and Scottish international wing forward, Chick Henderson, first in Richmond colours and then in Coventry's, splitting defences with the eye of a fly-half and the speed of a winger; B. Meredith's lightning hooking for Newport and Wales; Yarranton's jumping in the line-out, the coolness of Peter Davies, the Light Blues' full back, the cleverness of Cliff Morgan, dodging his way through the Irish centre, and the dash of Jimmy Ritchie leading an Irish pack in full cry.

## FRENCH HOPES DASHED

The international title was shared by France and Wales, but with all due respect to the Welshmen and not forgetting their implacable and deserved victory at Stade Colombes in France's year, and few would have complained had she won the title outright for the first time.

The French cut the Scottish centres to ribbons; their fast and straight running and fine backing-up won the day in Dublin; and their speed and speed outplayed England in the closing stages at Twickenham.

In these three games they produced the best technically organised open football seen since the war.

Wales, however, broke up their rhythm with tigerish tackling and harassing and took their chances with a stern resolution. France, although losing her best forward at the beginning of the second half, staged a gallant come-back but could only make up some of the leeway by the close.

Wales, who have won or shared the title five times in the nine post-war seasons, never revealed their true form until late in the season. A penalty goal brought victory over England in an undistinguished mudrack; overconfidence and Scottish forward fury caused their undoing at Murrayfield; but, after much scrappy and undistinguished play against Ireland, they suddenly came to life in the last quarter of an hour with unexpected brilliance.

England played some very fine rugby—but never for 60 minutes at a stretch. They were six points up in 7 minutes at Belfast and France until 10 minutes from the end and only just lasted out against the Scots after giving a dazzling display in the first half.

Scotland, after 17 consecutive defeats, regained respectability with wins over Wales and Ireland, handing over the wooden spoon to the latter. It was the first time the Green Jerseys had suffered this indignity since the war and they went through the season without a single

thought and eye were not so keen as in the past, and the usual forward endeavour was not enough.

## LANCASHIRE'S SEVENTH

Lancashire's seventh County Championship was obtained at the expense of the more-fancied Middlesex after a desperately hard and exciting struggle which had everything—including an overheated spectator who rushed on to the field and had to be forcibly removed by some Metropolitan policemen built like Cornwall and Leicestershire, the latter winning the Midland section for the first time in 27 years.

The 73rd Inter-Varsity match, won by Cambridge by a penalty goal to nil, will chiefly be remembered for the extraordinary tactics of the Oxford captain and fly-half, Springfield, Paul Johnstone. The most experienced player on the field and one of the most elusive runners in the game, it was obvious that he would be a very marked man.

Yet he played into the Light Blues' hands by trying to do too much on his own and rarely attempted to get his really useful three-quarter line moving.

The Royal Air Force, who beat the Royal Navy and came up from behind to draw with the Army, carried off the Inter-Services title for the first time since 1947. The biggest surprise of the Triangular Tournament was the failure of the Army XV which had shown such convincing form in preliminary games and which included a galaxy of internationalists. They lost to the Royal Navy, whose storming forward play was well up to standard.

The holders of the Army Challenge Cup, the 1st Training Regiment Royal Signals (Crested), did not meet for this year's competition and the trophy passed, deservedly, to the RAMC Depot (Crested), who beat the Welsh Regiment and the South Wales Borderers in the last two rounds. Wales had every reason to be proud, for in addition to the two units just mentioned, the Royal Welch Fusiliers also reached the semi-final and only went down narrowly to the Borderers after a replay.

Guy's Hospital, who all through the season had looked the best-balanced and most thrifty of the moderate hospital sides, surprisingly failed in the final of the Hospitals Cup to London Hospital, who won the trophy for the first time in 41 years.

And so to the coming tour of South Africa this summer. Ten Welshmen, nine Englishmen, six Scots and five Irishmen leave London by air early in June under the captaincy of Robin Thompson, the third Irishman in succession to captain a composite touring side. 22 matches (including Tests) are to be played in South Africa and two in Rhodesia. It is not perhaps the strongest side Britain could have sent—several leading players were not available to make the 4-month trip—but it should give a good account of itself.

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## Soccer Tour

## Results

Budapest, May 15. Tottenham Hotspur, English Football League Club, were beaten 4-1 by the Kinizsi team here today.

About 70,000 people saw a good match, in which the Spurs held their own for the first half. Then the Tottenham defence wilted under strong pressure and the home side, leading 2-1 at half time, finished comfortable winners.

Brooks scored Tottenham's goal.

Malta, May 15. Southern United beat Floriana by two goals to one today. Floriana led at half time by one goal to zero.

Schweinfurt, West Germany, May 15. Everton drew 1-1 with the Schweinfurt Football Club here tonight after a goalless first half.

New York, May 15. Sunderland beat Huddersfield Town 2-2 here today after drawing 2-2 at half time.

Both teams are touring the United States and Canada.

## PHOTOGRAPHS

by our Staff Photographers

Y.M.C.A. Bazaar  
Fatima Procession  
Boxing Tournament  
Council of Women  
Lee Bying Exhibition  
Colony Fencing Finals  
Belcher Street Landslide  
North Point Kaifongs Dinner  
B.O.A.C. Constellation Flights  
Military Hospital, Bowen Road  
Adventist School, Ventris Road  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN that the Twenty  
seventh annual ORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING of  
China Underwriters, Limited  
will be held at the Head  
Office of the Company, 4a, Des  
Voeux Road Central, Hong  
Kong on Thursday, the 2nd  
June, 1955 at 12.30 p.m. to  
receive and consider the  
Directors' Report and State-  
ment of Accounts for the  
year ended 31st December,  
1954, to elect Directors, to  
appoint Auditors, to sanction  
Dividends and to transact  
any other business of an  
Ordinary General Meeting.

The Transfer Books of the  
Company will be closed from  
the 25th May, 1955 to the 2nd  
June, 1955 inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
E. W. WILMOTT,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 16th May, 1955.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

"BATAAN"

Damaged cargo on this vessel will  
be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard &  
Douglas at 10.15 a.m. on 18 May  
at 10.15 a.m. and consignees are  
requested to have their representa-  
tives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
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Hong Kong, May 16, 1955.

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# MONDAY MORNING FEELING KEEPS MEN AT HOME

The Hague, May 15.

The existence of that "Monday morning feel-  
ing" has been proved - if proof were needed -  
by a government report analysing the causes of  
Holland's sharply-rising industrial absenteeism.

"Thirty per cent of absence from work begins  
on Mondays," the report, drawn up by the Ministry  
of Social Affairs and Public Health, says. "It de-  
creases gradually to 14 per cent on Thursdays and  
eight per cent on Saturdays."

If a person working a five-  
half or six-day week re-  
covers from an illness on a  
Friday, he or she has a tendency  
to stay away on Saturday, too, so  
as to prolong absence over the  
weekend.

## WOMEN WORSE

Research workers found  
that women provided three  
or four times as many  
absences as men. Absentee-  
ism by married women is  
48 per cent higher than that  
of unmarried women,  
according to the same experts.  
The time they take off is  
also longer.

The inquiry was prompted by  
the discovery that for every 100  
days of absence from work in the  
mid-1930's, Dutch factory  
and farm workers now take 170  
to 180 days off.

This increase is especially  
noticeable among workers of  
both sexes between 20-40 years  
old, the report says.

Young married girls under 25  
years stay away from work more  
often than older women. This,  
the report says, is partly because  
"the strains of married life  
diminish with increasing age,"  
and partly because of pregnancy,  
in which case other reasons for  
absence are given.

Young unmarried women and  
young married women without  
children form a large percent-  
age of absentees because of  
"their lesser sense of respon-  
sibility."

The report finds that married  
women over 35 are away from  
work more than unmarried  
women of the same age, but  
they stay away for shorter  
periods.

The Dutch "freedom from  
want" system of social in-  
surance, which provides full  
wages for a whole year together  
with free treatment by doctors,  
specialists and hospitals for the  
insured worker, constitutes a  
temptation to report sick and  
stay away from work at the  
slightest indisposition.

## LESS IN COUNTRY

Absenteeism from work is  
encountered less in the  
country than in the cities,  
probably owing to a stronger  
group-feeling, while the  
city worker is more  
vulnerable.

Absenteeism is mostly a  
psychological problem, a matter  
of mentality, which is proved  
by the fact that no less than  
30 per cent of postwar  
absenteeism must be attributed  
to nervousness originating during  
the war years and the cold war  
which followed them.

Statistics during the last ten  
years show that important  
political events are closely re-  
lated to absenteeism.

Grave world events ap-  
parently have a great influence  
on psychologically unstable people.  
A transfer to another job,  
a new manager, even a promo-  
tion could influence such per-  
sons to such an extent as to  
cause illness.

Psychotherapy is recommended  
as the best means of curing  
such people.

In time of economic de-  
pression, there is less absentee-  
ism, since the need of dis-  
cipline induces a man to stay at work  
even if he feels slightly unwell.

## AFFORD LUXURY

Conversely, in time of  
boom and full employment,  
the worker can afford the  
luxury of absenteeism  
through slight illness,  
knowing that his employer  
needs him and in any case  
he can easily get another  
job.

Older people, now employed  
on a larger scale than before,  
are more liable to illness than  
younger workers, and this again  
tends to send up the absenteeism  
figures.

Medical science is partly  
responsible for absenteeism,  
the report says. "Modern therapy  
aims not only at a quick but  
also at a complete recovery, and  
many modern treatments  
demand close diagnosis, which  
takes time."

"The medical profession has  
to perform time-consuming and  
difficult special examinations  
which have been made avail-  
able, and therefore necessary, by  
the advances of science."

It quotes the supervising  
doctor of a factory in a small  
Dutch town as saying that there  
were in his town 30 doctors and  
26 specialists and "three times  
as many operations for appen-  
dicitis were performed per 1,000  
inhabitants as in the capital of  
the province."

Working conditions also in-  
fluence absenteeism. The re-  
port says that although the  
harmful effects of night work  
are largely compensated for by  
longer holidays and higher  
pay, a night worker who is not  
feeling quite up to the mark  
is easily persuaded to stay at  
home at a time when his  
family is going to bed.

The commission which com-  
piled the report called for study  
of means of improving medical  
efficiency. It said that the  
social and psychological aspects  
of the problem would be sub-  
jected to research by  
economists and social-psychol-  
ogists - China Mail Special.

## VIETMINH DECISION

London, May 15.

The Council of Ministers of  
the Democratic Republic of  
Vietnam decided at a recent  
session to push forward the re-  
establishment of normal re-  
lations between Northern and  
Southern Vietnam, according to  
a New China News Agency dis-  
patch from Hanoi today. - Reu-  
ter.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



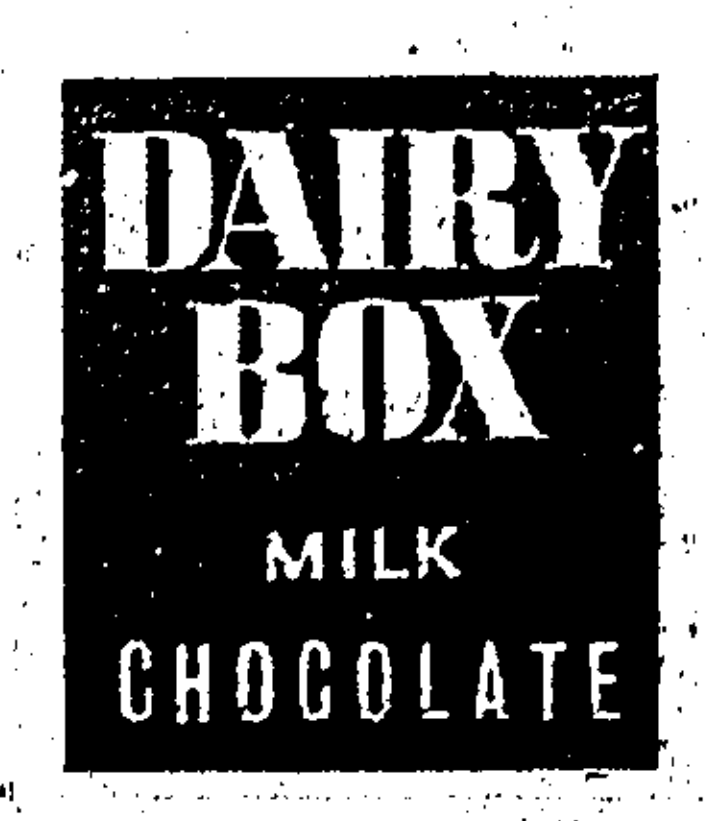
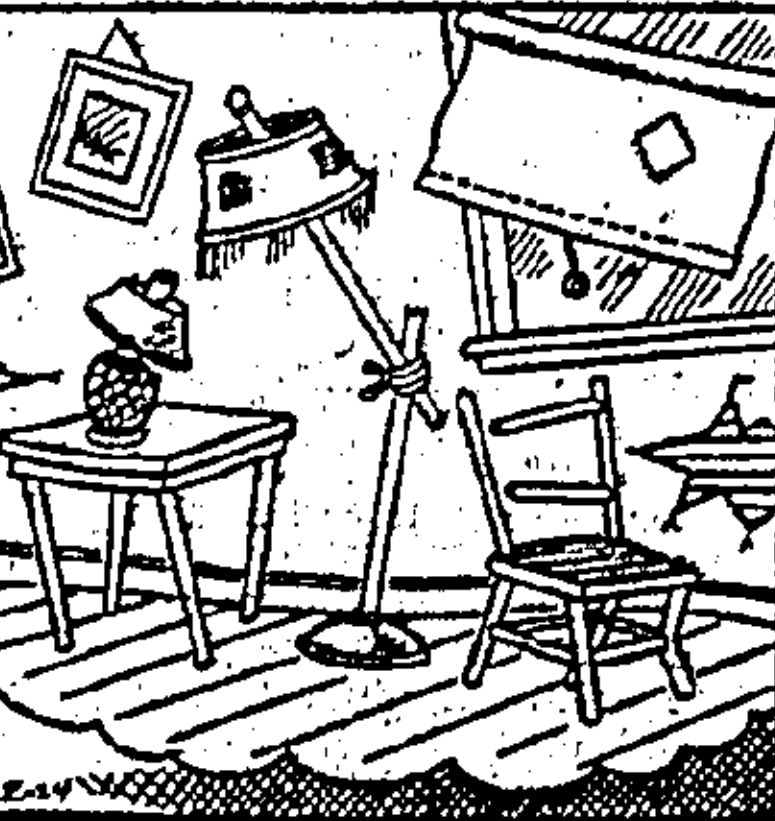
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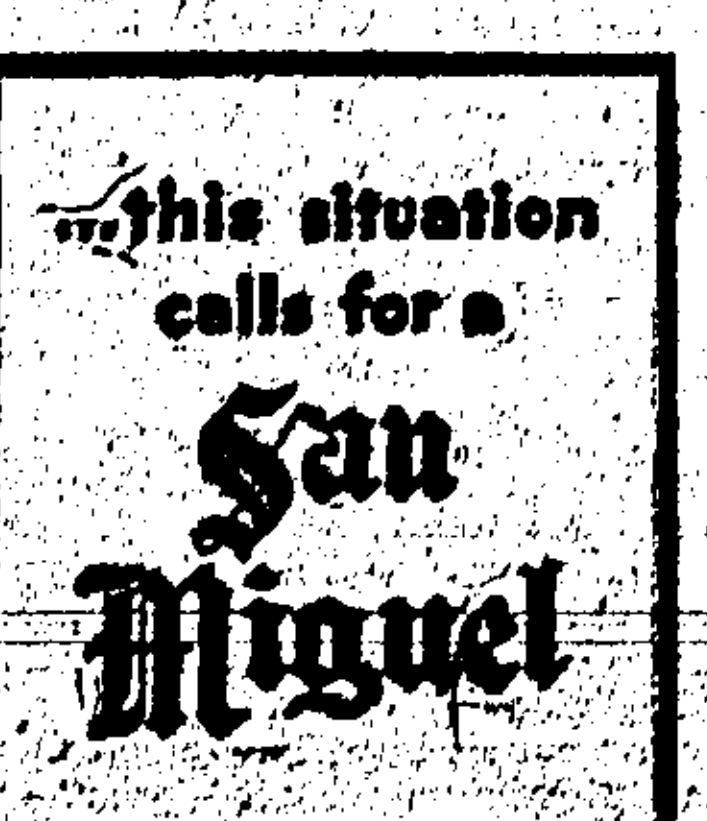
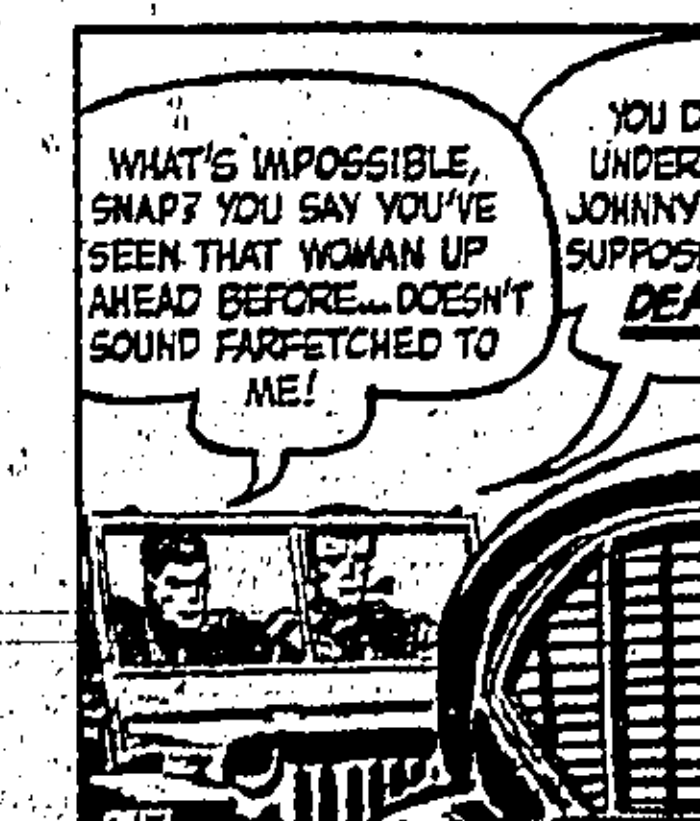
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## Escort For A King



King Frederik of Denmark escorted by two Yeoman Warders, and ex-members of the regiment, T. Twyman (left) and P. G. Belson, at Canterbury when he presented new colours to the Royal East Kent Regiment (The Buffs), of which he is Colonel-in-Chief. - Central Press Photo.

## Distribution Of Farm Surpluses

Washington, May 15.

The National Planning Association urged today that the  
United States be more aggressive in using its farm surpluses  
to help people in under-developed areas abroad.

The Association said the present  
surplus stocks - valued at  
more than \$7,000 million - were  
a "great national asset" that  
could be used more effectively to  
raise world living standards and  
promote peace.

A report prepared by Mr  
Howard R. Tolley, a member of  
the Association's Agriculture  
Committee, said the United States  
was now engaging in rather  
"sporadic" activities of this kind.

But it said much of the food  
being donated for foreign use  
merely displaced regular com-  
mercial purchases resulting in  
little if any net increase in con-  
sumption and use of American  
farm products.

The Association describes it-  
self as a non-profit, non-political  
organisation interested

in planning by Americans in  
agriculture, business, labour and  
the professions.

The report said it seemed  
clear that to attain the desired  
objectives special distribution  
and use programmes would  
have to be developed in many  
receiving countries.

Among possibilities the re-  
port listed distribution through  
schools along the line of the  
United States school lunch pro-  
gramme; industrial plant lunch  
programmes; programmes in  
hospitals and maternal and  
child care centres; programmes  
to reach low income family  
group through some such  
method as a food stamp plan;  
and for the armed forces and  
other public institutions. -  
China Mail Special.

## TWO BEGGARS CAUTIONED

Wong Heung, 83-year-old  
woman, who was arrested on  
Sunday begging for rice in a  
street, was cautioned by Mr. T.  
Creedon at Kowloon this  
morning.

Mr Creedon also ordered \$10  
to be given her from the poor  
box.

The woman had three previous  
convictions for a similar offence.  
Another beggar Chen Kwok-  
ming, a cripple without a leg,  
was also cautioned by Mr. T.  
Creedon on a similar charge.  
He had six previous convictions.

# Int'l Chamber of Commerce Tokyo congress

Tokyo, May 15.

Mr A. Boyd Campbell, President of the United  
States Chamber of Commerce, arrived here today  
to attend the International Chamber of Commerce  
Congress which opens tomorrow.

The Jackson, Miss. businessman said he  
planned to take no active part in the activities of  
the American delegation to the Chamber Congress.

"I came as an observer," he  
said.  
He said that much of the  
work of the US delegation will  
be done by Mr Erwin D. Can-  
ham, Editor of the Christian  
Science Monitor, who will  
arrive in Tokyo tomorrow.

He said that there were English  
language newspapers in Japan.  
Mr Campbell was one of the  
last passengers to leave the  
Fun-American Airlines and the  
last to go through Customs. -  
United Press.

## OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE

Mr "Ralph" Bradford,  
International Vice President,  
is also here," he said. "He  
will really be the official  
representative of the US de-  
legation."

Mr Campbell walked from the  
plane with Mr Frederic Russell  
Gamble, President of the  
American Association of Ad-  
vertising Agencies, and into the  
Japanese Government's Customs  
office just as light rain began  
falling.

He said that he had no plans  
for his stay in Tokyo and that  
his schedule was rather un-  
certain at this time. He will  
remain at Tokyo's famed Im-  
perial Hotel until he leaves for  
the United States on Saturday.  
Mr Campbell pointed out that  
he was just inaugurated Presi-  
dent of the US Chamber and  
that his visit to the international  
meeting was more of a get-  
acquainted tour.

"I'm sort of finding my sea  
legs as it were," he said.  
He expressed belief that the  
international congress would be  
beneficial to world trade  
through discussions among the  
various delegations at the meet-  
ing.

While at the Customs office,  
Mr Campbell showed great in-  
terest in the Mainichi news-  
paper, one of the most influ-  
ential in Japan, and expressed  
surprise that there were English  
language newspapers in Japan.

## Mail Notices

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shown below are those for un-  
registered correspondence posted  
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ing parcel mails can be ascer-  
tained by enquiry at any post office.

MONDAY, MAY 15

By Air  
Formosa, Okinawa, U.S.A., 8 p.m.  
Burma, India, Pakistan, Great Brit-  
ain & Europe, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 6 p.m.  
Thailand, 6 p.m.  
Middle East, Africa,  
6 p.m.

By Surface

Japan, 2 p.m.  
Macao, 2 p.m.  
Thailand, 2 p.m.  
TUESDAY, MAY 17

By Air  
India, 8 a.m.  
Philippines, 2 p.m.  
N. Borneo, Australia, New Zea-  
land, 2 p.m.  
Thailand, 2 p.m.  
Pakistan, Middle  
East, Africa, 2 p.m.  
Europe, 6 p.m.

By Surface

Macao, 2 p.m.  
China, Formosa, Republic, 2 p.m.  
Macao, 2 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

By Air  
Thailand, Malaya, N. Borneo, In-  
donesia, Australia, New Zealand,  
Ceylon, Mauritius, Africa, 9 a.m.  
Thailand, 2 p.m.  
Formosa, 6 p.m.

## Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.  
A Time Signal and Programme  
Summary: 6.00, Hourly  
presented by Sally Ann (Studio);  
6.30, Australian Trade Catalogue,  
The Far East; 7.00, News from Aus-  
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## Berlin's Town Of Tomorrow

Berlin, May 14. Leading architects of the West are expected to meet in West Berlin this summer to lay the symbolic foundation stone of the "town of tomorrow."

They will put the final touches to plans for an international building exhibition to be held here next year. At the conference table will be such prominent architects as M. Pierre Vago, Secretary-General of the International Union of Architects (UIA), Dr. Oscar Niemeyer, Brazilian architect of the New York United Nations Headquarters, and Signor Luciano Baldessari, Italian advocate of the Y-shaped dwelling house.

Further contributions may be expected from Professor Mies van der Rohe of the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, and Professor Alexander Klein of Haifa, Israel.

### 38 NATIONS

M. Vago, who represents nearly 100,000 architects from 38 nations, and Dr. Niemeyer have already visited the former German capital to discuss details of their sketches with the organisers of the exhibition.

They have instructed house building projects in both East and West Berlin and have studied conditions in the unique exhibition ground—an entire "bomb" devastated residential district in the British sector.

The exhibits will be real buildings and building sites on which work is in full progress. Only ideas which cannot yet be realised will be displayed in exhibition halls in the form of models, drawings and sketches.

The exhibition will provide new homes and all the amenities of a model suburb for 1,500 families. About one-third of the buildings, ranging in size from two family homes to a 15-storey high 25-storey skyscraper will be finished by the time the exhibition opens in the summer or autumn of next year. Some may even be occupied.

Another third of the buildings will be shown in the process of construction, and the rest may not yet have left the stage of projecting at the time of the exhibition.

### WIDEST RANGE

To stick to this programme, which, the organisers believe, would give visitors the widest possible range of impressions of the architects' ideas, the real foundation stone must be laid this month.

The first building will be a 17-storey block of flats designed by Herr Gerhard Siegmund, a West Berlin architect. After that, the organisers hope to start one more building each month. There will also be churches, a school, a hospital, a garage for 300 cars, a cinema, streets, river bridges and possibly a new underground railway.

The more conservative part of the show, in the exhibition halls, is to comprise all building and associated industries. All the non-Communist countries of the world have been invited to contribute collective shows—China Mail Special.

## International Silk Conference

Brussels, May 13.

The Japanese delegation to the fifth International Silk Conference has agreed to "do all in its power to enforce price stabilisation laws" set by the Congress during its four-day meeting here.

In order to enforce these maximum and minimum prices the Japanese delegation has undertaken to build up a stock of silk in Japan to absorb price fluctuations.

It was further agreed that official price variations should be the same as those in force during the 1954-55 marketing period.

The Congress however, ran up against an attempt to fix an international definition of "silk." After a long and tedious argument it could only be decided that each country apply the definition defined by national law.

**IMPLICATION**  
This decision implied that articles labelled "silk" or "pure silk" in one European country have to be qualified as "80 per cent silk" in other countries.

Although the question of Chinese exports of silk was not officially on the agenda the question loomed large among delegates.

However, as the silk market is expanding monthly Chinese exports are affecting Japanese exports, which in 1954 amounted to 70,000 bales against 50,000 bales in 1954.

The Chinese are exporting roughly 15,000 bales annually to Europe.—United Press.

## NEW YORK STOCK REVIEW

By Elmer Walzer

New York, May 15. Wall Street conceded a victory for the Federal Reserve System this week when stock market volume fell to the lowest level for any full week since October 29, 1954.

That shrinkage in volume reflected the Federal Reserve action to curb speculation which appeared absent during the trading. The higher credit terms and higher margins were catching up with the market.

Prices declined on profit-taking and then rallied from their lows. The averages recorded only moderate declines, however, since the really big losers were in issues outside those used to compute the averages.

### INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE

The industrial average closed the week at 419.57 off 4.27; railroads, 157.01, off 3.82; utility 63.89, off 0.31, and 65 stocks, 157.23, off 2.31. Sales for the week averaged 2,208,352 shares daily compared with a daily average of 2,313,320 shares a week ago.

The market made its highs for the year on April 26 when the industrial average was at 430.64, a record high, and the rail average, 161.54, a new high since Oct. 26, 1929.

The industrial average at the close this week was down 11.07 points from its record high and the rails were down only 4.53 points from their high.

The real story of market erosion is told by comparing actions of some stocks recently bid up by speculators and sold for profits.

For example, Amstar is down 40 points from its 1955 high; Chance Vought, down 31½; United Aircraft, 25½; Boeing Aeroplane, 29½; Bath Iron Works, 23½; Babcock and Wilcox, 21½; Douglas Aircraft, 25 points; General Dynamics, 21½; Lockheed, 20; Bethlehem 16½.

### MOTORS DOWN

General Motors has fallen 12½ points from its high despite record automobile production statistics.

Chemical shares were the strong spots during the past week. In the chemicals, Allied gained 9 points; Monsanto, 3½ and Du Pont, 3 points.

It was noted that the issues having the widest declines for the year go far from their high included the so-called defence stocks. The experts noted that these issues has been carried up the farthest and fastest and hence were in a vulnerable position.

With business holding high—records in steel, building, and auto industries—high retail sales, record savings, the bull market appeared secure, according to observers.—United Press.

## The Bank Of France Statement

Paris, May 15.

The Bank of France statement for the week ended May 5, reads as follows:

Total gold holding	201,281,201,421
Total other currencies	12,216,215,198
Sight balance abroad	126,940,295,703
In EPU	108,000,000,000
Advanced to Curr. State Fund	2,565,476,783,080
Bank note in circulation	120,602,543,278
Current accounts and deposits	1,122,204,350,043
Total bills discounted	1,122,204,350,043

## The Bank Of England Statement

London, May 15.

The Bank of England statement for the week ended May 11, reads as follows:

Note in circulation	1,740,237,735
Public deposits	25,011,818
Private deposits	214,616,821
Government securities	278,806,829
Other securities	43,127,967
Reserves	37,542,519
Ratio	11.0

# TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## SOCIALISTS DISREGARD ECONOMIC

### PRINCIPLES

## Willing To Spend Money But Ignore Its Source

From Ronald Boxall

London, May 15.

With less than two weeks to go before the general election neither of the two main political parties has yet succeeded in finding an issue capable of arousing the British people's interest, much less their excitement.

The Conservatives have been criticised for taking their victory too much for granted; but the blame for failing to whip up interest in the election rests largely on the Socialists. It is for them as challenger for power to convince the electorate that they would make a better job of governing the country—and their failure to do this is obvious even to their friends.

## N.Y. COTTON MARKET REVIEW

By WILLIAM T. PLUNKETT

New York, May 15.

Cotton futures worked higher ground for the second week in a row scoring gains up to \$1.25 a bale.

At Friday's close, the general list ruled 21 to 25 points, or \$1.05 to \$1.25 a bale higher than the preceding week. Factors generating the price-lifting power included 1. Strength of the May contract before its expiration on Thursday; 2. Diminishing prospects for a US subsidy on raw cotton exports next season; 3. Anticipated export sales to Korea, Spain and other countries; 4. An improved mill demand for spot cotton.

Prompt absorption of the May contract deliveries, credited largely to southern mill accounts, made a strong impression on the trade and led some observers to believe the July delivery may follow a similar pattern, particularly if the anticipated export sales materialise.

### LESSENING CHANCE

Discussions on the chances for an export subsidy next season came back into foreground. While the question remains to be decided by the Secretary of Agriculture, other reports out of Washington indicated lessening chances for a subsidy.

Mr. Samuel C. Waugh, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, dashed cold water on the idea of a Federal export subsidy for cotton.

Mr. Waugh did not flatly oppose the idea, but he warned that US subsidies might result in foreign governments matching the action and thereby cancelling out "what he hoped to gain in introducing the subsidy."

The trend of subsidy news acted to bolster the Liverpool market and in turn affected domestic sentiment. With the May contract out of the way, some market experts thought the price trend hereafter would be influenced more by the day-to-day crop and weather news.—United Press.

## Singapore Rubber Market

Singapore, May 15.

The market was mainly in demand for current month on short covering, otherwise it was a quiet session with little business done. Future closings were:

No. 1 rubber per lb. May unquoted	June 1955-56%
July 50-50½	July 50-50½
No. 2 rubber per lb. May 38-38½	June 38-38½
July 38-38½	July 38-38½
No. 4	Spot rubber unquoted 81½-81½
Blanket crepe	81-81½
No. 1 pale crepe	77-77½

## Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unquoted, exchange market this morning at the following rates:  
U.S. dollar (per \$1) 15.74  
Sterling notes (per £1) 15.74  
Indonesian rupiah (per 100) 12.10  
Siam baht (per 100) 12.10  
Singapore (Straits) 1.22  
Indo-China piastre (per 100) 8.25

The tragedy of the Socialist Party is that it has worked itself out of a job. As a reforming party it must keep on reforming or sink into oblivion. It cannot fall back on an old "rich versus poor" issue because there are precious few in Britain today. So it proposes "reforms" like the nationalisation of the machine tool industry—that no one takes really seriously. But the real reason for the decline in socialism in Britain goes deeper than this. Five and half years of Socialist rule have taught the British people to regard inflation—even the creeping variety—as something evil. They are prepared to tolerate it as the necessary price of winning a war and later of wiping out poverty; but now that these things have been achieved they consider them achieved by the constant rising prices. And rightly or wrongly they don't think that socialism is the way to get it.

**BALANCE OF PAYMENTS**  
This is not simply because the Conservatives have shown themselves better at handling the nation's affairs. Three and a half years have not been entirely free from rising prices and the current balance of payments problem may yet land us in trouble. But the Conservatives have at least set their face against inflation—even if they have not finally eradicated it while the Socialists appear to accept it as a normal state of affairs.

Their election manifesto contains a number of proposals, some less contentious than others. But they have this in common: they would all cost a lot of money.

It does not matter so much that the Socialists are vague about where the money would come from (but one does not need to be an economist to guess). All that matters in the context of this argument is that the Socialists have demonstrated once again their complete disregard for elementary economic principles.

**CANNOT COMPROMISE**  
The first of these is that one cannot compromise with inflation. One cannot, as the Socialist apparently believe, alleviate even its worst effects without causing the disease to spread.

Everyone knows that the worst sufferers from inflation are those who live on small fixed incomes, especially old age pensioners. They cannot form themselves into a union and demand more pay every time the cost of living index rises a point or two.

If a political party honestly wanted to help these unfortunate people it would draw up a programme for getting rid of inflation. The Socialists seem to be doing the very opposite. And by way of compensation to the only really underprivileged people in Britain today they propose to raise old age pensions periodically in step with the rise in the cost of living.

**SINCERE**  
No one doubts the sincerity of the Socialists to help old age pensioners; but this proposal more than any other shows they still have not grasped the futility of peaceful co-existence with inflation. They try to draw an imaginary line "beyond which (it is implied) inflation will not be allowed to go" falling completely to understand they are not dealing with an enemy that cannot be contained within defined frontiers. At the same time they know that inflation—or rather the constant rise in the cost of

## Pakistan Trade Mission

Colombo, May 15.

A Pakistan trade team, led by Mr. Osman Ali, arrived here by air this evening. All said the primary object of their visit was to explore the possibilities of improving trade between the two countries.

A Ceylon Government source said Pakistan had offered to sell rice to Ceylon and was interested in buying coir, coconut oil and other commodities from Ceylon. The Pakistan delegation will start discussions with the Ceylon Ministry of Commerce and Trade tomorrow.—France-Press.

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$1,021,160. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HK Bank	1805	20 @ 1600	3200 @ 1600
East Asia	214	10 @ 1600	20 @ 1610
INSURANCES			
Union X All	910 917½	5 @ 917½	5 @ 917½
Lombard	511½	10 @ 1610	20 @ 1610
SHIPPING			
Asia Nav	70c	20 @ 1610	20 @ 1610
DOCKS, ETC.			
Wharf	89½	34	50 @ 70
Dock	1260 1250	1000 @ 720	7500 @ 715
Provident (O)	715 715	1500 @ 715	1500 @ 720
Wheelock	511½	21,071½	

LAND, ETC.  
HK Hotel 17.20 17½ 3500 @ 17.30  
HK Land 67½ 68 100 @ 67½  
Humbreys 16.30 16.50  
Really 511½ 511½

UTILITIES  
Tram 22.22 22.50 1500 @ 22.50  
Star Ferry 131 100 107 1450 @ 107  
Yamato Ferry 100 107 1450 @ 107  
C. Light (O) 19 1000 @ 18.90  
XD 1000 @ 19  
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C. Light (N) 15 1000 @ 14.90  
XD 1000 @ 15  
Electric 30¼ 29 500 @ 29½  
622 @ 28½  
2200 @ 28¼  
Telephone 32¼ 32½ 100 @ 32½  
INDUSTRIALS  
Cement 23.90 22.50 1000 @ 22.50  
1000 @ 22.50  
2000 @ 22.90

STORES, ETC.  
Dairy 20.40 20.00 1125 @ 20.30  
1200 @ 20.40  
Watson 12  
Crawford 25.70

COTTONS  
Textile Com 5.80  
Nanyang XD 7.85 1500 @ 7.80  
MISCELLANEOUS  
Yangtze 6.20 6.20 2000 @ 6¼  
Allied 4.90 4.95 1000 @ 4.92½

## Industrial Shares

### Edge Their Way Up

From Our Own Correspondent

London, May 15.

It was a mixture as before in the London Stock Exchange last week with Government securities falling and industrial shares edging slowly upward.

Banks were still sellers of short-dated stocks and this had a depressing effect throughout the list of Government securities. There was some relief after midweek when small buyers reappeared but this merely slowed down the incline without halting it.

The Financial Times index of Government securities stood at 95.10 on Thursday's close compared with 98.05 a week earlier.

In spite of this, however, the industrial share market found plenty to keep its spirits up. The local election result redoubled market confidence in a Conservative victory in the general election two weeks hence and more good company results added to the good cheer.

**CONSERVATIVE SWING**  
The swing in favour of the Conservatives has been taken to mean that the Socialist threat to rationalise the steel industry will never be put into effect. This and the success of the English Steel offer helped steel shares which showed rises on the week ranging to four shillings.

The rise in industrial ordinary shares generally was more pronounced in the first half of the week. Later on the troubled labour situation in the coal mines and docks was a restraining influence, but there were

still good features among the companies who have made and are expected to make profit announcements.

The Financial Times industrial ordinary index gained two points to 186.5 up to Thursday's close but half of this rise was registered on Monday when the market was still under the influence of the previous week's excellent company news.

A burst of activity in the new issue market partly accounted for the weakness of gilt-edged. The steel rationalisation authorities' offer of £10 million of stock in English Steel had a good response and Dunlop Rubber placed £12 million of debenture stock.

### OTHER MARKETS

In other markets South African gold shares were firm at first but turned easier later in the week; oils were mainly dull; teas moved irregularly; rubbers were quietly steady; and copper lost ground.

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## No Music

It was the merriest tune the meant to play on his flute to beguile the crowds in Tottenham Court Road, and persuade them to provide a lining of small silver, even of copper to the one pocket that was still intact in his old, ragged clothes.

So he stood there, the old man named Mick, and thrust his delta-shaped beard upward and towards the disinterested passers-by, meaning to entrance them with occasional well-chosen words and the bewitching flute music.

"Spare a copper," he cried, "for the music. Spare a copper for the music of the flute, that you'll not hear played better between here and Cambridge Circus."

## HIDDEN

ONLY one thing was lacking. Mick got so lost in the rapture of his sales-talk, that he forgot to furnish himself with the article he was selling—music. His flute—the cherished, well-rehearsed instrument—remained tucked into the belt that held up his trousers.

They were hidden by so many waistcoats, coats, overcoats and mackintoshes that the two policemen who watched Mick approaching people in Tottenham Court Road may be forgiven for not knowing they were there at all.

The police approached Mick. "We're arresting you for begging," they said.

## ARMY AND NAVY

"A WAY, men," Mick cried to the policemen, who seemed to be surrounding him. "Can't you see I'm playing my wee flute?" He hoisted the flute from his belt. "Come along," the policemen said.

At Clerkwell Court, Mick pleaded not guilty. He listened patiently while the police told their story, keeping himself in hand, though his beard vibrated from time to time as if it were speaking for his feelings. Then he went into the witness-box.

"I play my flute sometimes to babies," he said, "and the mothers sometimes give me something. Being in the Army and the Navy, and yesterday the day before my pension, well I thought I'd please people—the babies and all."

YESTERDAY WAS DIFFERENT. "BUT the officers didn't treat you as a performer," said the magistrate, Mr. T. F. Davis. "Is it true that some people gave you money, as the officers have said?"

"My customers is a very good public," Mick said, and I rather think two women who knew I played the wee flute for babies did give me something."

"The officers say you spoke to two women."

"I was just saying 'Where's your wee children?' Mick said. "Look, I always played paddy to me drunks, but yesterday was different. They went and took me fingerprints and everything. They said I was begging. I hope you'll deal leniently with this, for I've never had a begging against me."

IN FUTURE... "L ISTEEN," said the magistrate. "You can play on the flute, but you mustn't play on people's hearts; d'you understand?"

"I'll always play on me flutes in future," Mick said accordingly. "All I can say is I'm very sorry about this. Excuse me, and I'll be off." Exceedingly sorry.

"Discharged conditionally," said the magistrate.

"Aye, aye, very good sir," said Mick, remembering the Army and the Navy, and he pulled from his belt the flute that looked like recorders and flourished them, like trumpeters who have a fanfare on order.

But before he could reach his lips with them he was led away, and the case was ended without musical honour.

Failed To Pay  
For His Food

Wong Kam-lin, 23, walked into a cafe in Nathan Road on Saturday and consumed a cup of coffee and four cakes and then walked out of the cafe without paying. He was, however, stopped.

Appearing before Mr. T. Creighton at Kowloon this morning on a charge of obtaining credit by fraud, Wong was sentenced to seven days. He had three previous convictions of a similar nature.

SHOOTING THE  
FAMOUS  
HOZU RAPIDS

BY EDDIE PASSOS

Kyoto's marvellous scenery and aged-old cultural heritage have made the city a place of heart's desire not only for the Japanese but also for visitors, to whom the whole city is a museum, as it were, where the embodiment of the Orient is enshrined.

In outstanding contrast with the glorious Tokyo and the enterprising Osaka, Kyoto is a city of peace and serenity nestling in the heart of woodlands and traversed by the historic Kamo River.

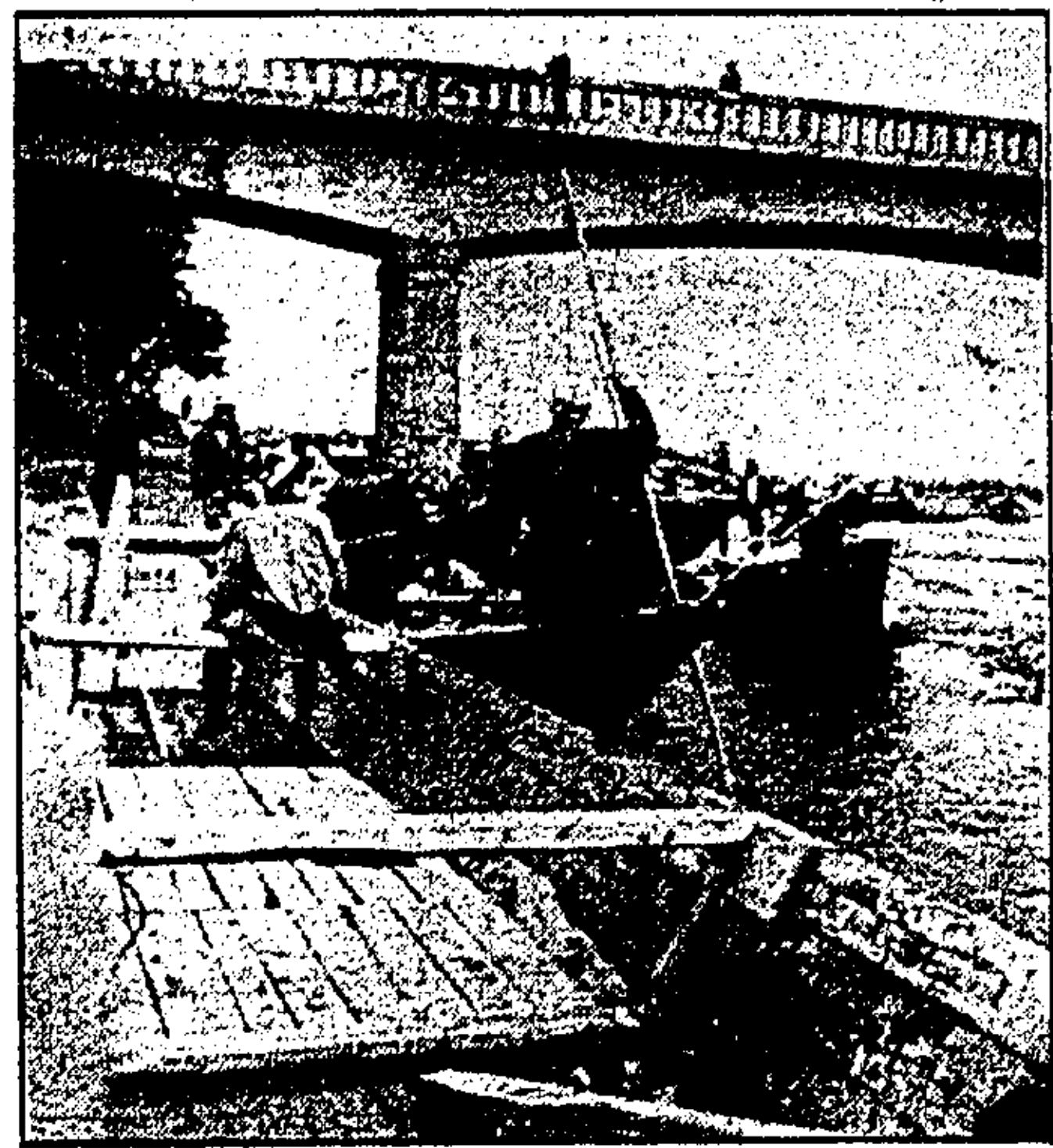
The Japanese capital city for over a 1,000 years prior to its removal to Tokyo. Kyoto with its population of 1,101,854 is considered one of the most beautiful cities in the country.

During my week's stay in Japan through the courtesy of British Overseas Airways Corporation, which has been inaugurating its Constellation flights to the Far East, I visited this old city with other BOAC guests. We arrived there by express from Tokyo after a seven-hour and 23-minute ride. Most visitors consider Kyoto one of the greatest cities in Japan with its characteristic traits of its own, and a temple town with its 700 Buddhist temples and Shinto shrines. But I soon found there are other things of great interest.

According to our itinerary prepared by the BOAC, we were going to take part in one of the liveliest and engaging of pastimes—shooting the Hozu rapids.

Our guide explained to us that it is great fun and not in the least dangerous. It requires only about half a day and most tourists include this item in their schedule.

Besides enjoying the thrill, he said, one would also enjoy the picturesque scenery which was varied during the two-hour ride down the curving course of the Hozu.



The crude, unpainted boats used by tourists for shooting the rapids.

We drove from Kyoto to a country village named Kameoka where the boats leave. The hour long ride was made in a luxurious touring bus with a very attractive Japanese guide dressed similar to an air hostess. The road all the way was interesting, winding through the outskirts of the city, crossing the river near the Katsura detached palace and emerging in the country. Our guide told us that we would pass through the bamboo plantations and, sure enough, as the roads began to rise we saw miles of magnificent bamboo groves reminiscent of the tropics.

Just beyond the village across an open expanse of green fields is the Hozu and we crossed it at a certain point by a big bridge. Drawn up along the stone banks were crude wooden boats about 25 feet long and three feet wide. The boats seemed never to have been painted and were aged by the weather.

THE TRIP BEGINS. As our party was too big for one boat we were separated into two boats and after seven of us clambered on board three boatmen jumped in, and off we went.

The oldest of the men stood in the bow with a long slender bamboo pole which he used dexterously to push the craft away from high boulders that jutted out into the rapids.

A young man, not more than 17 and weighing about 100 pounds, pulled on an oar that

was almost shoulder high. His oar was loosely held by an old rope which he frequently dipped into the river to keep it from burning with friction. Behind us, in the stern, was another oarsman, who also looked too lightweight for any hard work. Under way however, these men rowed with the regularity of a metronome; they never seemed to tire, particularly the man at the bow who also controlled the course of the boat with the weight of his body.

In some parts the river is wide, quite shallow and as still as a millpond. On either side are rice paddies, stretching away to the hillsides. Sand pipes run in their amusing, jerky fashion along the sandy beach. The only sound was the creaking of the oars.

Then we noticed the hills were coming closer and huge grey rocks began to line the Hozu on both sides. A hawk soared lazily overhead and disappeared into the brush. From afar came the lonely sound of a train whistle. The river began to narrow.

THE FIRST RAPID. Then I saw ahead the first rapid—whirling, frothy water, wet stones, and a drop-off of about three feet. The Japanese rested on their oars except for

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Well, just remember I didn't want to come and see them again either, Henry—but they do owe us this dinner!"

\$34,523 DAMAGES  
CLAIM SUCCEEDS

Judgment with costs for \$34,523.87 for damages for breach of contract in connection with the purchase of 1,500 tons of Hankow horse beans was awarded Kian Gwan Co. (China) Ltd., of Room 310, Hongkong Bank Building, plaintiffs, in an ex-parte action before Mr Justice James Wicks, Acting Puisne Judge, in the Supreme Court this morning.

The defendants, Sincerity Trading Corporation, of 192 Nathan Road, fourth floor, were not present in Court and were not legally represented.

Appearing for the plaintiffs was Mr Terence Shurlock, instructed by Messrs Johnson, Stokes and Master. Mr R. W. S. Winter who was in Court informed his Lordship that Messrs Brutton and Company who were named on the record as Solicitors for the defendants in the case had no further instructions. Counsel asked permission to withdraw.

Opening the case for the plaintiffs, Mr Shurlock said that the action was a claim for breach of two contracts and the sum claimed was \$34,523.87.

He said in the statement of claim the plaintiffs alleged that on September 9, 1953, they entered into a contract with defendants to buy from them 1,000 tons of Hankow horse beans at \$432 per ton of Rotterdam.

FAILED TO SHIP. Plaintiffs further claimed they entered into a similar contract on September 10 for 500 tons of the same commodity. The statement alleged that defendants failed to effect shipment of the goods and that as a result of that plaintiffs suffered damage.

Plaintiffs stated that in order to fulfil a sub-contract into which they had entered they purchased Hankow horse beans elsewhere.

Counsel drew the Court's attention to the particulars of the damage as set out in the claim.

Mr Shurlock said that defendants, in their statement, denied that they failed or refused to effect shipment of the goods. They further stated that the commodity was prohibited for export by the Peking Board of Trade on September 30, 1953.

NO PROHIBITION. Counsel said that in that connection the export manager of the plaintiff company, who would be called to give evidence, would say that there was no prohibition of the export of Hankow horse beans from China.

Mr Tu Tze-ying, export manager of plaintiff company, produced evidence for his cherry blossoms.

Toy sellers and food vendors lined the tree-shaded walks and scores of people streamed across the wide bridge spanning the stream which is now the Oi. Being a Sunday there were hundreds of families with their picnic baskets during here and there looking for a spot to sit and rest.

The boatmen did not look in the least tired. They all smiled, bowed and said "Sayonara" when we left the boat to look for a place to have a cool beer.

Sea Snake At Silvermine Bay. A five-foot banded sea snake at Silvermine Bay Beach caused near panic among bathers about noon on Sunday. There was a hurried exodus from the water and the snake was killed by two Chinese when it was stranded ashore.

The snake was average length for an adult reptile of that species and very poisonous.

Lighters Damages Claim:  
Evidence For Defence

Further evidence was heard before Mr Justice J. R. Gregg at the Supreme Court this morning when the case for the Defence continued in the claim for damages brought by the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., against Wang Kee and Co., stevedores and merchants.

A witness at this morning's proceedings spent much time by Counsel's table explaining by means of models on a scale plan of the Kowloon Wharves area how various incidents occurred.

Plaintiffs are claiming damages totalling \$70,533.15 from defendants arising from the sinking of four of their lighters and damage to three others during the typhoon of September 2, 1953. Plaintiffs alleged negligence on the part of defendants whereby lighters belonging to defendants were adrift and bore down and collided with plaintiffs' lighters.

The Hon. Leo d'Almada, Q.C., and Mr T. A. Shurlock, instructed by Mr R. A. Wadsworth, of Messrs Deacons are appearing for plaintiffs, and Mr John McNeill, Q.C. Mr Leslie Wright and Mr Victor Gittins, instructed by Mr Y. K. Kan, of Messrs Lo and Lo, are representing defendants.

Mr J. P. Hewitt, Senior Surveyor of Ships, Marine Department, is sitting with Mr Justice Gregg as Assessor.

Kwok Tim, No. 1 lighterman of defendant Company's lighter Dolley, who had begun his evidence last Friday when he said he and his crew abandoned the Dolley when her ropes securing her to the steamer Nellore, berthed at Kowloon Wharf No. 3 North Wharf, broke, she appeared in danger of sinking, said that while they were on board Nellore he saw Dolley drifting towards the Praya and collide with plaintiff Company's lighter No. 22, tied forward by the part bow of the Nellore.

CLIMBED DOWN. Witness said he climbed down to 22 and attached a length of old wire he found on board the Nellore to the Samson post of the Dolley. He then returned to the Nellore, made his way to the Wharf and stood at its junction with the Praya, where he kept watch.

He then saw another of defendant Company's lighters, the Fookley, also drifting towards the Praya and saw it bump into Dolley. Witness assumed the wire rope he had fastened to Dolley broke, for both Dolley and Fookley then began drifting in to the Praya. They went past a row of lighters moored by the Wharf below the Dolley and eventually came to rest against the Praya wall.

By this time Dolley was beginning to sink, said witness and some Europeans boarded the Fookley and towed her towards the corner by No. 4 Wharf. Dolley sank after 7 a.m.

Witness added that he saw No. 22 also adrift and in order to avoid a collision between 22 and Fookley, the latter was towed away. Lighter No. 22 drifted in towards No. 4 Wharf and then sank across the bows of Dolley, coming to rest on her side.

DID NOT HAPPEN. Mr Gittins, plaintiffs' counsel, said that Dolley drifted down broadside on and struck the outside three of the row of five lighters below the bows of the Nellore. Did you see that?

Witness: That did not happen. Plaintiffs also say the crews of these lighters pushed Dolley off with bamboo poles and Dolley swung past the outside lights towards the Praya. That was quite impossible in view of the weather conditions prevailing. One could not stand firm, let alone use bamboo poles to fend off Dolley.

Then plaintiffs say the Dolley was hauled to the corner of No. 4 Wharf—No, she sank off the Praya wall between Wharves Nos 3 and 4.

Cross-examined by Mr d'Almada, witness said he had been living on water since he was a boy, and became No. 1 lighterman of the Dolley in 1952.

Asked to show how Dolley was secured by ropes to Nellore, witness demonstrated on the plan before the Court. He said that after the original rope mooring Dolley to Nellore broke, Dolley remained secured to the ship by three additional ropes for some two hours. Witness also dropped anchor and let out 30 fathoms of chain. He said that about 15 fathoms of chain left after that. He agreed that the anchor at that stage was of little help.

The hearing is proceeding.

Unfit To Be  
Tried

"The report from Dr. P. M. Yapp says Defendant is unfit to be tried," said Mr Poon Yeh-oh at Central this morning. "The charge of assaulting a Police officer in the execution of his duty is dismissed. Defendant is to be sent to the Mental Hospital for treatment."

Ho Chu, 47, unemployed, was alleged to have assaulted a detective who tried to take him to the Police Station on April 17, for enquiries about a shirt in his possession.

Defendant, who has had his long curly hair shaved off, protested violently, saying that he was not crazy, and pointing to his tattoo. He was finally taken into the cells below the courtroom.

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Destroyer Leaves. The destroyer HMS Comus left port for Singapore this morning, flying her paying off pennant. It is understood a new crew will take over on arrival in Singapore.

Confiscation Order  
Quashed By Judge

Fourteen tons of Japanese spun yarn, falsely labelled "made in France" was restored to its owner, Ko Ling-pok, by a judgment of Mr Justice J. Wicks in the Appeal Court this morning quashing a confiscation order made by Mr Him-shing Lo last December.

The yarn was confiscated after the conviction of another man, Siou Siu-chow at the Central Magistracy last November for having applied the false trade description. The appellant, Ko, then represented by Mr Patrick Yu, claimed ownership when the application for confiscation was made to Mr Lo by Revenue Insp. A. L. Tokley, but failed.

Mr Justice Wicks held that the Magistrate was justified in finding Ko was not satisfied that Ko was the owner, but the Crown having conceded in the Appeal Court that he was, the goods should be returned to him as he was not a person shown on the proceedings to be guilty of an offence against the Ordinance.

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Speaking of the application for confiscation before the Magistrate, Mr Wicks said in his judgment:

The issue appears to have been as to whether or not the Appellant knew that the goods were being labelled "Made in France" and as to whether or not the Appellant was a person shown on the proceedings to be guilty of an offence against the Ordinance.

Appellant gave evidence which, on the face of it, appears to be fantastic on the whole, but which, when taken as a whole, seems to be a very plausible story. The Appellant was a man of about 32 years of age, of Chinese origin, and was a resident of Hong Kong. He was a member of the Italian party.

Mr Ramplini, who is also the manager of the Italian Tourist Company in Rome, is going to Tokyo to join his party and to arrange any touring that they wish to do while they are there. He will be staying the 10 days of the Congress and then he has to return to Rome for the World Petroleum Congress, which opens on June 5.

One of the latest tourist arrangements in Italy are the CIT buses. These are buses carrying about 32 people. They have a bar, and one is waited on by a hostess, who speaks four international languages. These buses make trips round the north and south of Italy and in Sicily. They are very popular with Americans.

L-Driver  
Fined \$200

A learner driver was fined \$200 by Mr H. B. Howe, at Kowloon Court this morning when he admitted a charge of careless driving and three breaches of his learner-driver's conditions by failing to display an L-plate, driving at an unspecified time and carrying a passenger.

Defendant, Yeun Wai-kwong, 28, of Portland Street, was arrested after a short chase by Inspector Moss of the Emergency Unit at 3 a.m. on October 10.

Inspector Wong Hei-man, said that Inspector Moss was on duty and was in Sayuen Street when he saw a car approaching in an erratic manner. Inspector Moss flashed a red-light torch to stop the car but instead of stopping, the car drove straight for the Police Officer. Inspector Moss had to jump aside to avoid an accident.

The car continued its way. Inspector Moss then went back to his vehicle and gave chase. He stopped the car shortly afterwards. The driver could only produce a learner driver's licence.

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Alleged Robber  
Remanded

Charged with robbery with violence, Chu Teat, 26, unemployed, was remanded three days by Mr T. Creighton at Kowloon Court this morning.

Chu was alleged to have robbed Man Song-hing of a wrist-watch in Mongkok, Kowloon, yesterday.

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